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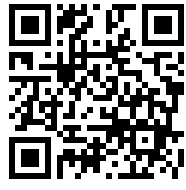

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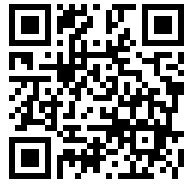

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1 FRANÇOIS I. Doc. s. "Francoys," countersigned "Par le Roy. Robertet," dated 13 *January*, 1528, authorising the payment of a sum of money to a certain Anthoine de la Villete, *the document is torn and slightly defective, the signature, which is a very fine specimen, has not been affected, on vellum*

2 FRANÇOIS (Duc d'Alençon, and afterwards of Anjou) 1554-1584, son of Henri II, suitor of Queen Elizabeth, Doc. s., dated *Paris*, 4 *Sept.* 1575, Warrant directing a payment to the Sieur de la Bourdaisiere, *on vellum*

FRENCH REVOLUTION DOCUMENTS :—

3 CAMBACÈRES. L. s. to Le Citoyen Noel, 1 p. 4to, 1793

4 CAMBACÈRES. Doc. s. "Au Citoyen Isnard Représentant du Peuple à Pau," 2 pp. 4to, 28 *Floréal, l'an* 3^{e} (17 *May*, 1795), signed also Merlin (de Douai)

5 CASENOVE (—) Conventionnel, 1763-1818, Signature and Fourteen Lines holograph endorsed on a petition of Le citoyen Donuet to the Comité de Salut public, also Signed Endorsements of L. E. Beffroy and Roberjot, Membres du conseil des cinq cents, petition dated 16 *Vendemiaire*, 4^{e} *année* (8 *Oct.* 1795)

6 COMITÉ DE LÉGISLATION. An important Memorandum on the legal rights of Claude Fabre of Montpellier over the orphaned children of his son, who has been "un des représentans du peuple," 3 pp. folio, 2 *Ventose, l'an* 2 (21 *Feb.* 1794), signed by Cambacères, Bezard, Merlin de Douai, T. Berlier, J. Oudot (Côte-d'Or)

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FRENCH REVOLUTION DOCUMENTS—*continued.*

7 DUCOS (Roger) 1754-1816, Conventionnel, Membre du Directoire et consul après le 18 Brumaire, Doc. s. as Secretary of the Convention Nationale, 20 *Brumaire, l'an deuxième* (10 *Nov.* 1793), signed also by Merlin and others

8 LAPLAIGNE (—) Doc. s. as President of the "Comité de Législation," signed also by L. B. Genevois, 1 p. folio, *Paris*, 19 *Floréal, an* 3 (8 *May*, 1795), *on official paper*

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9 MURAT (Prince Achille) nephew of Napoleon I. The Series of Twenty-four A. L. s. covering 114 pp. folio and 4to, addressed, between the years 1822 and 1841 (together with five other Letters), to the Comte Thibaudeau, *half green morocco, folio*

10 MARIE ADELAIDE DE BOURBON-PENTHIÈVRE, wife of Louis Joseph, the infamous Égalité. A Volume containing Thirty-eight A. L. covering 60 pp. 4to and 8vo, and dating from 1798 to 1820, addressed to the Comtesse de L'Age

*** A few of these letters have been commenced by the duchess and finished by her secretary. The duchess writes concerning the children of Philip V of Spain, the bad state of the finances of Spain, and her own children. Also acknowledging presents, referring to Talleyrand, etc.

11 LOUIS XVI. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, *Versailles*, 22 *Oct.* 1781, to Monsieur de Suffrein, commanding the *Te Deum* to be sung in all the Churches of France to celebrate the birth of his Son (the Dauphin)

*** Important. This son of Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette died in 1789. The second son ("Louis XVII") was born in 1785.

12 LOUIS XVI. Doc. s. on vellum, 1 p. oblong folio, *Jany.* 1779, this is the original Brevet of the Pension of £491 13s. 4d. granted to Jacques de Roussel

13 MARIE THÉRÈSE (Queen of Louis XIV) Doc. s. 1 p. oblong 4to, *Versailles*, 22 *Novembre*, 1678: "Mandement aux gens de ses comptes d'avoir a passer et allouer en la dépense d'iceux la somme de 43001 livres, qui a été payée entre ses mains."

14 LOUIS XV. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, *Versailles*, 1 *Jan.* 1757, Appointing the Sieur de Marbeuf to the post of "Ayde Maréchal Général des Logis" to the French troops on the lower Rhine under Marshal Soubise, countersigned by R. Devoyer

15 SOUTHWELL (Richard senior, of Horsham St. Faith, Norfolk) Signature to Deed Poll, by which he grants to Edward Cooke, of the Inner Temple, an annuity of 40 "solidi," secured on his lands in Norfolk, in return for legal advice, dated 2 *Sept.* 23 *Eliz.* (1581), signed also by three witnesses: Thomas Southwell, Humfrey Brokesbye, and William Wimpole, *on vellum, with seal, broken*

*** Richard Southwell, of Horsham St. Faith, was an illegitimate son of Sir Richard Southwell (1504-1564) and father of

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LOT 15—*continued.*
Robert Southwell (1561?-1595), Jesuit and Poet. Thomas Southwell was his brother. Sir Edward Coke (1552-1634, judge and law-writer) became barrister of the Inner Temple in 1578.

16 SPELMAN (Sir Henry) 1564?-1641, Historian and Antiquary, A. L. s. 1 whole p. folio, with address on the other leaf of the sheet, dated *Barbacan*, 24 *Mar.* 1631 ; the letter relates to interviews with the Lord Keeper concerning affairs of the County of Norfolk

17 STANISLAS II (Poniatowski, 1732-1798, last King of Poland) Doc. s. 1771, *with the great seal*

18 HATTON (Sir Christopher) 1540-1591, Lord Chancellor, Doc. s. dated 5 *Oct.* 28 *Eliz.* (1586), Indenture by which Sir Christopher sells to William Willoughby de Nonne Eton, Warwickshire, lands, etc. in Normanton super Sore, Notts. *a very fine signature, on vellum*

19 INDIAN PRINCES. Letters addressed to Lord Charles Beresford by various native rulers, some holograph, 1875-87 ; and a Typed Memorial from Kalakava, King of Honolulu (9)

20 ARTISTS, including Lord Leighton, Leslie Ward, Sir John Gilbert, E. T. Reed, Frank Holl, etc. (13)

21 BEACONSFIELD (B. Disraeli, Earl of) A. L. s. 2 pp. 8vo, *Dec.* 1, 1864, *from Strathfieldsaye*

22 SCOTT (Sir W.) A. L. s. 1¼ pp. 8vo, *June* 10 [1829], to Chambers

23 BROWNING (Robert) A. L. s. 1¼ pp. 12mo, *n. d.* [1843], in French, referring to Macready's treatment of his play "*A Blot in the Scutcheon*"

24 TENNYSON (Lord) A. L. s. ½ p. 8vo, *April* 4, 1885, to a lady, asking for the return of "some nonsense concocted in the dawn of my teens"

25 EDWARD VII. A. L. s. 2 pp. 8vo, *n. d.* [*Feb.* 16, 1885], to Lady Charles Beresford, congratulating her on her husband's escape at Abu Klea ; ARGYLL (Duchess of) A. L. s. 2 pp. 8vo, to Mrs. Tait (2)

26 AUTHORS, including W. E. Henley, Rev. T. F. Dibdin, etc. (12)

27 DARWIN (Charles) A. L. s. 3 pp. 8vo, *May* 13 [1869], about the inheritance of markings on animals' coats

27A LEICESTER (Robert Dudley), Earl of, Queen Elizabeth's "Sweet Robin," Document signed by the Earl, 1 p. folio, on vellum, dated the 17th year [1575] of the reign of Queen Elizabeth

*** This is the original indenture or deed of conveyance of lands in Denbighshire, to Lewis ap Williams ap Eignion. It is in Latin, and the clerk who drew it up has introduced into the initial letter the coat-of-arms (the bear and rugged staff) of the Earl. The original indenture completing the sale of the lordship, etc. of Denbigh, by Leicester, to Queen Elizabeth, was sold in these rooms on July 21st, 1916. Accompanying the above document is another, signed by Robert Devereux,

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LOT 27A—*continued.*

Earl of Essex, favourite of Queen Elizabeth, and also by his Countess, 1 p. folio, 1*st. Sept.* 1591-2, on vellum. This is a deed of sale of lands in Kent. The documents are illustrated with six engraved portraits and bound in morocco.

27B BONAPARTE (Napoleon) L. s. "Bonaparte," 1 p. 4to, 17 *Prairial an XI* [1803], to the Minister of War, requesting him to order the 104th Half-Brigade of the Line to proceed to Maëstricht, the 80th to Mayence. "These two Half Brigades will leave only on the 1st Messidor." With this letter are 8 *assignats* of the Revolutionary period

28 DARWIN (C.) A. L. s. 5 pp. 8vo, *May* 30 [1869], an interesting letter about the nest-making and plumage of birds

29 DARWIN (C.) A. L. s. 3½ pp. 8vo, *n. d.* to Dr. Hussey, describing his minute examination of a plant suspected of spontaneous motion

30 DARWIN (C.) A. L. s. 4 pp. 8vo, *Dec.* 18 [1875], about the election of a well-known scientist to the Linnean Society

31 THEATRICAL, including Corney Grain, the late Marquis of Anglesey, Albert Chevalier, C. Mathews, etc. (6)

32 FORTESCUE (Sir John) 1531?-1607, Chancellor of the Exchequer, presented books and MSS. to the Bodleian Library, Doc. s. with three lines in his autograph, 1 p. folio, dated *Richmond*, 12 *Dec.* 1595, addressed to the Steward or Woodward of her Majesty's manors of Bromfield and Yale, directing them to supply timber for the repair of Merton mill, held from the Queen by Richard and John Trevor

33 FARNESE (Ranuccio II) 1630-1694, Duke of Parma, L. s. 1 p. folio, dated 29 *April*, 1686, addressed to the Conte di S. Secondo, with regard to the inspection of medicines for sale at Parma, *with seal*

34 FARNESE (Francesco) 1678-1727, Duke of Parma, son of the foregoing, L. s. ½ p. folio, dated *Colorno*, 23 *July*, 1717, *with seal*

35 REEVES (John Sims) 1818-1900, Tenor Vocalist, A. L. s. 4 pp. 4to, *Milan*, 29 *July*, 1846

*** A long and very interesting letter, beginning "My dear George" (said to be George Kurz). Had he received the letter from his correspondent a day later, he says he would have signed a two-year agreement to sing at La Scala, Vienna, and Bergamo, commencing in the autumn, at 2,000 francs per month, making his debût as Edgardo in *Lucia*; by waiting till the spring, he will be able to demand twice as much. He refers in terms of high praise to his master, Mazzucato, describes a visit to the Lake of Como, and gossips about other English students at Milan.

36 O'CONNELL (Daniel) 1775-1847, Irish Politician, called the "Liberator," A. L. s. 2½ pp. 4to, dated *Bordeaux*, 7 *Oct.* 1822

My opinion of France and French men is not raised by a near inspection. Their climate is to me detestable . . . After all, poor

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LOT 36—*continued.*

Ireland is the spot if she had but justice. . . . The French seem very discontented . . . In truth they are full of all manner of uncharitableness . . . The Bourbons are indeed far from being popular . . . I should not be surprised to hear one day of their starting a new race (?) of revolution. . . . What a treat an Irish newspaper would be to me.

37 NEY (Michel) 1769-1815, Field-Marshal. Sign. "Ney"

38 NICHOLAS (Sir Edward) 1593-1669, Secretary of State to Charles I and Charles II, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Whitehall*, 24 *June*, 1661. Sir Edward has acquainted the King with Lord Rutherford's letter of the 19/29 inst., and he has commanded the Duke of Albemarle to answer it

39 NICHOLAS (Sir E.) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Whitehall*, 16 *Sept.* 1661, addressed to Lord Rutherford at Dunkirk. The King is much pleased with his conduct. There is no news from Portugal, nor from the Earl of Sandwich, *with two very fine impressions of Sir Edward's seal*

40 NORTH (Edward) 1496?-1564, first Baron North, Treasurer and Chancellor of the Court of Augmentations, supported "Queen Jane," his house twice visited by Queen Elizabeth, signature on document, dated 15 *Jan.* 33 Henry VIII (1542). The document is an acquittance for money paid by Edmund Powell in connection with rights and land at Dulwich, lately belonging to the monastery of Bermondsey in Surrey, *on vellum*

41 FARNESE (Margarita, Duchess of Parma) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Parma*, 29 *July*, 1628, signed as guardian of her son, the Duke Odoardo, *with fine impression of his seal*

42 ROBERTS (David) R.A., A. L. s. 1 p. 12mo, and 2 Sketches in colour of Spanish scenes (3)

43 MISCELLANEOUS, including Amelia Opie, Archbishop Maclagan, Lord Lytton (1882), John Gould, the Ornithologist, J. J. Jeffries, the American pugilist, F. Frankfort Moore, etc.; and a contemporary Copy of a Letter signed William Law, to Lady Huntingdon, 1754 (24)

44 ALBUM OF AUTOGRAPH LETTERS AND SIGNATURES, including W. E. Gladstone, G. Bernard Shaw, Sir Walter Besant, Ouida, Herbert Spencer, G. F. Watts, Sir A. Herkomer, G. W. Steevens, Professor Goldwin Smith, Linley Sambourne, Luke Fildes, Lord Leighton, Cecil Rhodes, Ebenezer Prout, Plunket Greene, Sir Squire Bancroft, Sir Charles Dilke, Sir Victor Horsley, Cardinal Vaughan, H. G. Wells, J. Chamberlain, A. R. Wallace, Professor Tyndall, mostly A. L. s.; and many others, signed portraits, etc. chiefly modern

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46 WELLINGTON (Duke of) Two A. L. third person, with portrait; others of W. Godwin, R. M. Milnes, J. F. Lewis, James Sant, C. L. Eastlake, etc. (31)

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48 TALLEYRAND-PERIGORD (Charles Maurice, Prince de) 1754-1838, Wit and Diplomatist, Ministre des Relations Extérieures, L. s. "Ch. Mau. Taleyrand," 1 p. folio, 17 *Thermidor, an VIII* (*Aug. 5th*, 1800)

49 VANE (Sir Henry, the Elder) 1589-1655, L. s. 1 p. folio, dated 24 *March*, 1622, to George Norton, Steward of the Princes Highnes Mannor of Henton, concerning the felling of trees; also signed by Thomas Savage, James Fullerton, Richard Smythe, and Thomas Trevor. Vane was appointed cofferer to the Prince of Wales in 1617, and he continued to hold the office after Charles had become king

50 WATT (James) 1736-1819, Engineer, A. L. s. "Boulton & Watt," 1 p. 4to, dated 18 *Nov.* 1793, addressed to Messrs. Firmin de Jastet & Co., regarding goods shipped at Hull

51 WILLIAM IV, as Duke of Clarence, A. L. s. to Edward Jesse, concerning the purchase by the Crown of a house and grounds in Bushey Park, 1¼ pp. 4to, *Bushey House, Aug.* 4, 1824, with Jesse's holograph covering letter to the Commissioners of Woods and Forests, 2½ pp. folio, *Teddington, Aug.* 5, 1824

*** "Edward Jesse (1780-1868), writer on natural history . . . received a clerkship in the woods and forests office . . . appointed deputy surveyor of the royal parks and palaces . . . was on very familiar terms with the Duke of Clarence, afterwards William IV."—D. N. B.

52 WRIOTHESLEY (Thomas) 1607-1667, Earl of Southampton, Lord High Treasurer, Letter addressed to the Deputy Lieutenants of Norfolk, subscribed and signed "Your assured frend to serve you, T. Southampton." With a postscript, also signed, appointing Sir Thomas Rant, Mr. Christopher Jay, and Francis Corye, Esqre. Deputy Lieutenants, 1 p. folio, dated 3 *Oct.* 1660, *with signet seal intact*

53 MARIE THÉRÈSE (Queen of Louis XIV) L. s. "Marie Terese," 1 p. large folio, *St. Germain-en-Laye*, 21 *May*, 1672, to Monsieur Arnoul, relative to the celebrated Claude Du Val, who is to be liberated

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54 LOUIS XV, L. s. 1 p. large folio, to the Pope (Clement XIII), *Versailles*, 25 *Apl.* 1762, informing his Holiness that he has appointed the Priory of Vaux sur Poligny to Louis Etienne de Foy, priest of Bourges, of whose good life, piety and capacity, he is well informed

55 LOUIS BONAPARTE (King of Holland) the fourth brother of Napoleon I, and father of Napoleon III. A volume containing twenty-two Letters (one A. L. s. and twenty-one L. s.), dating from 27 *May*, 1818, to 11 *Sept.* 1837, and covering 33 pp. 4to, *half red morocco*

*** These letters are addressed to Comte Leopold Armaroli.

56 LOUIS XVI, Doc. s. with one line autograph. An Order for Payment of the Expenses of the Royal Household, 1 p. folio, *Paris*, 17 *Avril*, 1790

*** The total amount for the month of March was 246,642 livres.

57 LOUIS XIV, Doc. s. by Louis de Lorraine, Comte D'Armagnac, Grand Ecuyer de France, 19 pp. 4to, *Paris, Janvier*, 1698, *on vellum*

*** The original Manuscript account of the cost of maintaining the royal stables during the year 1696, namely 590,512 livres. Also signed by the Comte de Braque.

58 LOUIS XVI. Doc. s. (Secretaire de la main), 22 pp. folio, *Versailles*, 2 *Sept.* 1775, to the Marquis de Verac. This important historical document is headed: "Mémoire pour servir d'instructions au Sieur Marquis de Verac, allant à Copenhague pour y résider en qualité de Ministre Plenipotentiaire du Roi auprès du Roi de Dannemarck" countersigned by De Vergennes

59 MARIE LECZINSKA (Queen of Louis XV) L. s. "Marie," 1 p. folio, *Versailles*, 30 *April*, 1758, to the Prince de Ste Croix, thanking him for his New Year greetings and assuring him of her esteem

The Property of a Lady.

60 WILDE (Oscar) A. L. s. 7 pp. 4to, *n. d.* to W. A. S. Benson, *c.* 1885, FINE LETTER, on William Morris's wall-papers and other aesthetic matters:

I have a dining room done in different shades of white, with white curtains embroidered in yellow silk, the effect is absolutely delightful, and the room is beautiful .... How can you see Socialism in the Earthly Paradise? if it is there it is an accident not a quality—there is a great difference.

He also mentions Sir Frank Benson:

I saw Frank at Oxford—there was a charming performance—& lovely costumes—he seemed very pleased at it & so was I.

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61 FOX (George) 1624-91, founder of the Society of Friends, A. L. s. (G. ff.) 1 p. folio, *2mo 3 day*, 1678, to his wife Margaret (Fell), *remains of seal*, FINE LETTER AND EXCESSIVELY RARE

*** After some affectionate messages the letter proceeds:

. . . . at bristo(l) j did by as much skarlet as would make thee a mantell which thou may line it j had it of richard smith of nalesworth & it is fine hee sent it to e.m. at london & for him to send it into the north & whether it be com j have not hard. Since j came from bristo(l) j passed throw many countyes & the lords faver is over all & came to the lord conniwayes (? Conways) & his wife was exeding loving soe that j had much adoe to get away & now j am in oxfordsher & yest day at banbary was a great meeting & the lord faver is over all.

The letter, etc. has an auto. address: "This for M. ff. Swarthmor."—*See George Fox's Journal, ed.* 1827, *vol. II, p.* 251-2.

62 FOX (Margaret, *née* Askew, first married to Judge Thomas Fell of Swarthmore Hall), 1614-1702, married George Fox in 1669, called by Barclay "the Lady Huntingdon of the new society," A. L. s. (M. F.) ¾ p. folio, *Swarthmor, ye* 18 *of the* 5° *mo*th 1678, to George FOX, FINE LETTER AND EXCESSIVELY RARE:

. . . . glad I am to heare that the Lord preserves thee, in health & Capacity, to travell on, in his worke & service, for which I Praise his holy name. Wee hope & expect, that the Lord will draw thee homewards, in his Blessed time & day. Thou art much Expected, & longed for here; but wee must all submitt to the Lord's blessed will & time. I received thy kind token of Leonard, which I did not expect any such thinge, but I know it's thy true love to remember us; I thought to have sent somethinge by Mary ffell to thee, but I thought thou would buy somethinge with it for mee, as thou used to do, wch caused mee to omitt it. I perceive thou hath sent somethings to the Children by Leonard, but he hath not yett delivered them, but thy company is more, & better to us, then all the world, or Earth cann aford; and but upon the Lord's Account, his truth & service, wee should not exchange it for all besides. This day, Issabell, is sett forwards on her Journey towards Scotland—Thomas & Mary Lower, Sarah, Susannah & Rachell, with little Bethiah, their deare love, & duty, is dearley remembered unto thee, & gladly would they see thee here.—I am glad to heare thou hath writt to my Daughter Rous, poore woman, I am afraid shee will have but a heartlesse being there; the Lord uphold her, over all her tryalls.—Wee desire much to heare from thee, & what way thou passes. All things are well here with us; Praised, and honoured bee the Lord.

From
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63 PENN (William) 1644-1718, founder of Pennsylvania. A. L. s. 3 full pp. folio, with p.s. and address, *n. d.* to Margaret FOX, SUPERB LETTER OF GREAT RARITY, *slightly torn:*

. . . . That I am remembered of ye & am so neer thee, so far from thee, is delightfull; keep mee so; when farther from thee, for this I say, & yt before ye lord—& to yee, I will not goe, for any outward ends if I feel not a Testemony & an appointed service, I desire never to stirr, but yt is strong before me, & my goeing is in ye Cross, wch is to mee a satisfaction yt it is right. I have now some powr given me; give it to Frds I desire, if they can keep it for themselves & me; but

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85 CAMDEN (William) the Elizabethan Historian, Doc. s. 1 p. 4to, dated 9 *Aug.* 24 *Eliz.* (1581)

*** This document is the will of Geffery Edwardes, and Camden has signed it as witness. The other witness was John Thomas, in whose autograph the body of the document is written. With a curious seal representing Adam and Eve. It was in this year (1581) that Camden undertook the systematic preparation of his "Britannia." Camden's autograph is extremely rare.

86 LOUIS XIV. Dépense de la Bouche du Roy, an Original Manuscript dating from the end of his reign (*circa* 1715), covering 136 pp. 8vo, *blue morocco*

*** This interesting MS. gives the expenses disbursed for the provision of the Royal table for the last twenty years of Louis XIV's reign.

87 LOUIS XV. État et Menu Général de la Maison du Roy, *année* 1748, the Original Manuscript, covering 376 pp. 4to, *half calf*

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88 CLEMENT VIII (Pope in 1592) Hippolyte Aldobrandini. His Correspondence with Monsignor Cerasio (the Cardinal Camerlengo), Monsignori Taverna, and Laudivio Zacchia. The majority, however, are addressed to the Cardinal Camerlengo

*** This series comprises TWENTY-ONE LETTERS SIGNED BY CLEMENT VIII as Pope. They date from 26 Feb. 1600 to 11 Jan. 1605, and cover 21 pp. folio; each one is signed by the Pope: "Clemens papa VIII." This Pope absolved Henri IV of France when he renounced Protestantism in 1595.

89 WARWICKSHIRE. A Collection of Thirty-three Documents of the year 1640, relative to the City of Coventry and other parts of Warwickshire. Signed by the Mayor, Civic and County Authorities. Amongst the persons cited in the documents is *Thomas Shakesper.*

90 LESLEY (John) A Defence of the Honour of the Right High, Right Mighty and noble Princess Mary Queen of Scotland and Dowager of France

*** This appears to be a Stuart copy of an Elizabethan manuscript. It occupies 86 pp.

91 VICTORIA (Queen) Two A. L. 3rd person, 2½ pp. 8vo, 1870, approving designs for coinage.—CAMBRIDGE (Duke of) A.L.s. 6 pp. 8vo, *Nov.* 7, 1867, to Disraeli (2)

92 GORDON (General C. G.) A. L. s. and Postcard to Sir Charles Rivers Wilson.—ISMAIL (Khedive of Egypt) Three Doc. s.; etc. (6)

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93 POLITICAL and other Letters from Walter Bagehot, Professor Jowett, the Duke of Devonshire, Lord Lyons, Lord Dufferin, etc. mostly to Sir C. R. Wilson (27)

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96 LOWE (Robert) afterwards Lord Sherbrooke, Seven A. L. s. to the same, and a Latin Epigram, signed. — PALMERSTON (Lord) Two A. L. s. 4 pp. 8vo, 1857-63 (9)

97 SACKVILLE (Sir Richard) Doc. s. ½ p. of a folio sheet, *May* 14, 1563, Warrant for payment of £40 to William Neale, Gent. "for his paynes travaill and expences by hym taken aboute the Comission of the Queenes debtes," signed also by Sir Walter Mildmay and William Paulet, Marquis of Winchester

98 REGICIDES. A portion of a Document signed by four of the regicides: Nicholas Love (1608-1682), Cornelius Holland (fl. 1649), Thomas Grey, Baron Grey of Groby (? 1623-1657), and Humphrey Edwards (d. 1658)

99 MONCK (George) 1608-1670, Duke of Albemarle, Portion of Document signed "Albemarle," dated 18 *August*, 1663; also signed by A. A. Cooper (Earl of Shaftesbury), 1621-1683; Denzil Holles (Baron Holles) 1599-1680; Sir W. Morice (Secretary of State) 1602-76; Henry Bennet (Earl of Arlington) 1618-85; Thomas Wriothesley (4th Earl of Southampton) Lord High Treasurer, 1607-1667

100 MACAULAY (Thomas Babington, Lord Macaulay) 1800-59, A. L. s. to his father, Zachary Macaulay, 3¼ pp. 8vo, dated *Falmouth*, 3 *March*, 1834, an interesting letter, written while Macaulay was on his way to take up his appointment in India

I heard a very curious anecdote from the pilot who brought us into Plymouth. He had piloted the ship in which Herschel sailed last autumn. He says that he heard Herschel say that he was very desirous to get to sea then; for that he fully expected a quarter of a year of West wind, and did not believe that there would be a change to the East till March. If the story be true, Herschel either made a very lucky guess, or has discovered some principle of meteorology which is unknown to less scientific observers.

101 MACAULAY. A. L. s. 3½ pp. 8vo, *Albany, Dec.* 25, 1858, addressed to Robert Eden, Bishop of Moray and Ross

I am truly glad that I have been able to give you some pleasure in your desert island .... Henry (Phillpotts) of Exeter has pronounced me a most impartial writer and a sincere lover of truth.

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102 LOUISE (Countess of Albany, wife of Prince Charles Edward Stuart), 1753-1824, Holograph authorisation, 1½ pp. 8vo, dated *Rome*, 15 *June*, 1789, signed "La Duchesse d'Albanie," to Mr. le Marquis de Balleroy to deliver two white diamonds for sale to Dom Henry Parker, "prieur des Benedictins anglois rue et faubourg St. Jacques," or to her Banker; endorsed is Parker's holograph receipt for the diamonds

103 JOSEPHINE (Empress), 1763-1814, L. s. "Lapagerie Bonaparte," 1 p. 8vo, *Paris le* 21 *Ventose l'an* 7^e^ *de la Rep. fa.* (11 *March*, 1799)

*** The form of the signature, introducing Josephine's maiden name, seems to be extremely rare. The letter is headed "L'Épouse du Général en chef Bonaparte au Ministre de la Guerre," and asks a favour for Citoyen Thibaut, recently come from Egypt.

104 HOWSIGO (William) L. s. ½ p. folio, dated from the *Castle of Norwich*, 20 *April*, 1609, to Sir Nathaniel Bacon, complaining of injustice done by him to the writer's father

105 DELLA PORTA (Giovanni Battista), the founder of the science of Physiognomy, the original Manuscript of his "De Re Naturalis Physiognomoniae Parte, quae ad manuum lineas spectat, Libri Duo," quite complete, covering 63 pp. 4to, very neatly written and containing numerous remarkable drawings of hands, feet, claws, etc., by Porta himself, *bound in the original limp vellum* (SÆC. XVI)

*** A most valuable and extremely important Manuscript. It is one of the great writer's treatises on physiognomy, doubtless written by him for one of his noble patrons. Giovanni Battista Della Porta, the founder of the science of physiognomy, natural philosopher and mathematician, was born at Naples in 1540 and died in 1615.

106 ESSEX (Robert Devereux, Earl of) An original Manuscript, "The Proceedings which happened touchinge the Divorce betweene the Lady Frances Howard and Robert Earle of Essex"; the manuscript, which is dated 1613, occupies 34 pp.; a manuscript relative to Sir Thomas Overbury is also in the volume; *bound in old vellum, with initials W. B. on the sides.* These are probably the initials of William Browne, the poet, who wrote a poem on Sir Thomas Overbury

107 VICTORIA (Queen) A. L. s. 2 pp. 8vo, *Windsor*, *Nov.* 9, 1849, to her aunt, Queen Adelaide, with signed and addressed envelope:

My dearly beloved Aunt,/ How very kind of you to have thought of this day and have written to me. Most deeply do we feel your ever great kindness to us all. We think much of this day last year when we had the happiness of having you here. Bertie (Edward VII) will himself express his thanks tomorrow for your beautiful present and kind note. Hoping that this will find you less suffering and with Albert's affte. respects, etc.

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108 ATSLOWE, SOMERSET AND CUBIARE. The original Document, 2 pp. folio, *London*, 1585-6, containing the list of offences charged against Edward Atslowe, Thomas Somerset and Pedro de Cubiare

*** During Mary Queen of Scots' imprisonment in England, many plots were set on foot aiming at her release and the destruction of Elizabeth. Edward Atslowe, the first mentioned in this paper, was a noted physician, who had been educated at Winchester and New College, Oxford. On moving to London he was made a member of the College of Physicians, and attended many of the nobility. He was a strong supporter of Mary Stuart, whom he had visited, and is believed to have assisted the Earls of Arundel and Northumberland in their efforts to obtain foreign assistance on her behalf. He was arrested on this charge, but released. In 1585, he was again imprisoned and charged, *as this document sets forth*, with aiding the Earl of Arundel in his attempt to escape abroad, with conveying money to Seminary priests, issuing libels on the Queen and the Justice of the Realm, and having correspondence with Thomas Morgan. He was examined, upon the rack it is asserted, but protested his innocence, and was ultimately set at liberty. Thomas Somerset was one of Queen Mary's private agents, and was accused of correspondence with Morgan and with aiding the Seminary priests and Dr. Allen. He was released some time in 1586, but died immediately afterwards. Pedro de Cubiare or Zubiaur was a merchant of Seville, who was sent to England, by the Company of Merchants there, to try and negotiate a private arrangement for the restoration of part of Drake's plunder. He engaged in political intrigues, and was accused of corresponding in cypher with Don Bernardino de Mendoça, advocating an attack on England by the King of Spain. Cubiare ultimately gained his liberty by an exchange of prisoners. The two persons with whom Atslowe and Somerset were accused of corresponding, Cardinal William Allen and Thomas Morgan, were the leading conspirators on the Continent on Queen Mary's behalf, and were the cause of her final destruction, for it was Morgan who advised her to send the fatal letter to Babington, expressing her approval of his conspiracy against the English queen. This, the original list of offences, dated 12 Feb. 1585, was noted by Thomas Hill, and in the margin opposite each charge is the authority on which it is based. The year was really 1586, as we know from the dates of the examinations given in the Calendar of State Papers. (THIS DOCUMENT WAS REPRINTED BY THE HISTORICAL MANUSCRIPTS COMMISSION.)

109 ANNE (daughter of Philip III of Spain and queen of Louis XIII) A. L. s. *with seals and silks*, 1 p. 4to, dated *Paris*, 8 *Novr.* 1620, addressed to her aunt, the Grand Duchess of Tuscany;

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the Queen states that she is sending her aunt a messenger, who bears "nos bonnes nouvelles"

*** Autograph letters of this queen are very rare.

110 ELIZABETH AND MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS. Compendio delle guerre, etc. 8vo, Manuscript on paper (in Italian)

*** This Manuscript is a collection, compiled from various sources, of certain wars and historical events. Mary Queen of Scots is mentioned in the chapter headed "Nuove mutazioni d' Inghilterra," in which the changes in English politics and religion, which took place on the accession of Elizabeth, are discussed. The question of *Mary's claim to the throne of England*, based on the assumption of the illegitimacy of Elizabeth, owing to the Papal refusal to recognise the divorce of Catherine of Aragon, and the subsequent illegal marriage of Anne Boleyn, is examined. On the Continent, Elizabeth was considered illegitimate and Mary's claim, through Henry VII, considered good. The remaining sections are mainly occupied with affairs in France during the late sixteenth century, especially the divisions between the Huguenots and Guises, and accounts are given of the coronation of Marie de Medicis, and the deaths of Charles IX, Henry III and Henry IV. The point concerning the illegitimacy of her daughter, Q. Elizabeth, is again gone into; for, before Anne was executed, in 1536, her marriage was declared invalid.

111 HOWARD (Charles), 1629-1685, first Earl of Carlisle, discoverer of witches, sat in Barebone's Parliament, Ambassador Extraordinary to Russia, Sweden and Denmark, 1663-4, and to Sweden, 1668, Governor of Jamaica, 1677-81, Doc. s. *Jan.* 24, 1669 (1670), on vellum, *with seal*

*** The document is an indenture of sale to Charles Lord St. John of Basing, son and heir of John fifth Marquis of Winchester, of the manors of Neasham and Breerton, in the county of Durham.

112 HOBART (Sir James), died 1507, Attorney General, friend of John Paston, Signature to a Document, "Jamys Hobart," on vellum, dated 20 *Oct.*, 22 *Henry VII* (1506)

*** In the document Richard Brannche resigns to Edward Dandy and others all claim in certain lands, etc. in Cretyng sti . Petri and Stoneham Comitis, which were formerly in the possession of James Hobart, miles, by gift of Robert Reydon and Anne his wife. Brannche also signs.

113 BESANT (Walter) Novelist, A. L. s. 2 pp. 8vo, dated 28 *July*, 1894

114 BONHEUR (Rosa), 1822-99, Artist, A. L. s. 2¼ pp. 8vo, *n. d.*

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115 BREWSTER (Sir David), 1781-1868, Natural Philosopher, A. L. s. 2 pp. 4to, *Edinburgh, May* 24, 1827, to Thomas Cadell, the publisher, relating to a dispute with Blackwood as to the publishing of the Edinburgh Journal of Science

116 FALCON (Marie Cornélie), 1812-97, Operatic Singer, A. L. s. 1½ pp. 4to, dated *Naples*, 25 *April*, 1838, written to Monsieur Duponchel, director of the Paris Opera, and complaining of the weather at Naples, where the writer has gone on sick-leave. Donizetti is making her work, but she sings very little

117 DARWIN (Charles) 1809-1882, A. L. s. to Prof. H. G. Bromm, the translator of the "Origin of Species" and the "Fertilization of Orchids," 2 pp. 8vo, *dated from Down, June* 30:

Dear & Honoured Sir. I have been very unwell, otherwise I shd have written sooner. I enclose answers, & some few corrections & additions.—I fear that the latter on account of my bad handwriting will you trouble; but I hope that you will insert them . . . I shd very much like to have a copy of the 2nd German edit. of the Origin & of the Orchid Book . . . I can assure you that I feel most fully sensible of the great honour & kindness which you have done me in translating my orchid book. What powers of work you must have!

The Property of G. M. Nicholls, Esq.

Park House, Gerrard's Cross, Bucks.

118 VICTORIA (Queen) A. L. (third person), *Buckingham Palace, Feb.* 14/57, referring to an illness, with A. L. s. of Louis Philippe, *Claremont*, 1848, and Leopold, King of the Belgians (3)

119 DICKENS (Charles) A. L. s. 1 p. 8vo, *Devonshire Terrace, Dec.* 14*th*, 1850, to "My dear Knight":

This day week, I am happy to say, I am still yours. I have read the pamphlet once attentively. I will read it again to-night, and soundly master it.

120 CARLYLE (Thomas) A. L. s. 2½ pp. 8vo, *Chelsea*, 13 *June*, 1847, to Mr. Booth, asking for tickets for the House of Commons for his brother and a friend

121 THACKERAY (W. M.) A. L. s. (initials), 1 p. 8vo, 36, *Onslow Sq. S. W.* (*n. d.*), to "My dear Merivale:"

If you are of return, and your invalid I hope the better for her absence, here is the card you ought to have had—and I hope you will be able to come to us. You don't care more than a philosopher should, but the creature comforts supplied by Mr. G. Smith are not among the worst articles of the "Cornhill Magazine."

Can you send an answer to 65, Cornhill—addressed to G. Smith?

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122 CAMPBELL (Thomas) A. L. s. 2 pp. 4to (*Edinburgh*), *Aug. 4th*, 1802, to Dr. Currie, mentioning—

That he is studying drawing, "which, as I meditate another Tour on the Continent, will, I conceive, be of use to me in my future travels," etc.

123 ROSEBERY (Earl of) A. L. s. (initials), 2 pp. 8vo, *Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, Aug.* 11, 1884:

I have no influence with the present Government, least of all as regards livings. Mr. G. would simply ask if I knew your son-in-law, if he was a good preacher & a good man in his parish. If I could not answer all these questions in the affirmative, I should be snuffed out, etc.

124 HARDY (Sir Thomas Masterman) Vice-Admiral, A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, *Greenwich Hospital, Dec. 25th*, 1838, to R. Suckling

125 WESLEY (John) A. L. s. 1 p. 8vo, *London, Jan.* 15, 1787, to "Dear Joseph":

Poor Lakenheath married! That is good news indeed. I have no objection for the sending Tho. Cooper into a Birmingham Circuit.... Is there any young man in your Circuit whom you ed. recommend for a Writing Master at Kingswood School?

126 BURNS (Robert) Auto. Manuscript Poem, "The Bonie Moor-Hen," five Verses and Chorus, 24 lines of verse, with headings, etc. on a folio sheet, *in good preservation:*

I red you beware at the hunting.

Tune, I red you beware o' the ripple.

The heather was blooming, the meadows were mawn,
Our lads gaed a hunting ae day at the dawn,
O'er moors and o'er mosses and monie a glen,
At length they discovered a bonie moor-hen.

CHORUS.

I rede you, beware at the hunting, young men!
I rede you, beware at the hunting, young men!
Take some on the wing, and some as they spring,
But cannily steal on a bonie moor-hen.

THE FIFTH AND LAST VERSE IS NOT PUBLISHED IN THE CENTENARY EDITION, and runs as follows:

But by cam a Retrer, Ohon and alas!
A slee, cunning loun wi' a firelock o' brass;
The brass did sae glitter, it dazzled her eyes,
And now in his budget he boasts o' the prize.

Burns entitled the song, "I rede you beware of the hunting," but it is generally published as "The Bonie Moor-Hen" or "A Hunting Song"

*** AN EXTREMELY FINE AND IMPORTANT BURNS MANUSCRIPT.

127 BURNS (Robert) A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, *Mauchline, 26th June*, 1788, to Mr. James Smith at Avon Printfield, near Linlithgow:

This, my dear Sir, is now the third letter I have written you since I have heard from you, or more properly speaking, since I, viva voce, heard of you.—This is merely a business scrawl, consequently, "I expect your answer in the course of Post.—I have waited on Mr. Auld about my marriage affair, & stated that I was legally fined for an irregular marriage by a Justice of the Peace.—He says, if I bring

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an attestation of this by the two witnesses, there shall be no more litigation about it.—As soon as this comes to hand, please write me in the way of familiar Epistle that "Such things are."—Direct to me at Mauchline.—Mrs. Burns joins in kindest Compliments to you along with, my dr. friend,

yours most truly,
ROBT. BURNS.

The Mrs. Burns referred to is Miss Jean Armour, whom he afterwards married on August 3rd, 1788

*** A TYPICAL AND FINE BURNS LETTER.

128 MOORE (Dr. T.) A. L. s. 2 pp. 4to, *Clifford Street, Sept. 30th*, 1787, to Mr. Robert Burns, at Mauchline, Ayrshire:

. . . . I must caution you to divide your letters when they are so heavy as your last (your letters can be heavy only in one sense) by putting the whole in one cover it was found to exceed the stated weight allowed to Members of Parliament, & I was obliged to pay six & eightpence for it.

Miss Williams, it seems, inclosed to you some lines I addressed to her when I was last at Hamilton. They alone are sufficient to show you that I am no Poet, but I would not have you to suppose I think myself one. . . .

129 BYRON (George Gordon, Lord) An important and early A. L. s. 4 pp. 4to, *Little Hampton, August 26th*, 1806, to John M. B. Pigot:

I this morning received your epistle, which I was obliged to send for to Worthing, whence I have removed to this place, on the same coast, about 8 miles distant from the former. You will probably not be less pleased with this Letter when it informs you that I am £30,000 richer than I was at our parting, having just received Intelligence from my Lawyer that a Cause has been gained at Lancaster assizes, which will be worth that Sum, by the Time I come of Age. . . Mrs. B. is doubtless acquainted of this Acquisition, though not apprised of its exact *value*, of which she had better be kept ignorant, for her behaviour on any sudden piece of favourable intelligence is, if possible, more ridiculous, than her *detestable* conduct, on the most trifling circumstance of an unpleasant Nature. You may present my Compts. to her, & say that her Impertinence in detaining my Servant's things shall only lengthen my absence, for unless they are immediately dispatched to 16, Piccadilly, together with those which have been so long delayed, belonging to myself, she shall never again behold my *radiant Countenance* illuminating her gloomy Mansion—and if they are sent I may probably appear in less than a year from the date of my present epistle. . . .

I wish you to send my poems to my Lodgings in London immediately, as I have several alterations & some additions to make; *every* copy must be sent as I am about to amend them, & you shall soon behold them in all their Glory. I hope you have kept them from that *upas tree*, that *antidote* to the *arts*, Mrs. B—— "Entre Nous," you may expect to see me *soon*.

130 CURRIE (Dr. James) Author of the Life of Robert Burns, Holograph Minute of a meeting held April, 1801, of the Liverpool Dispensary, 1 p. folio, *signed, with portrait*

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132 BABOU (Jean, Baron de Sagonne) Sieur de la Bourdaisière.—LONGUEJOUE (Mathieu de, Bishop of Soisson) Diplomat.—REMOND (Pierre) Diplomat, L. s. by all three, 1 p. folio, *Montreuil sur mer*, 22 *November*, 1545, to the King (François I), informing François I that a herald, accompanied by a trumpeter, has arrived from the King of England. The herald brings a pass, on paper only, of the sale of Calais, with a letter from Sturmius, who only awaits the least opportunity to honourably leave that town, etc.:

Cette nuit est arrivé en cette ville un héroit du roi d'Angleterre accompagné d'un trompette, qui nous a apporté un sauf-conduit en papier seulement du debitis de Calais avec une lettre de Sturmius et n'attendant que la moindre occasion pour déloger honnêtement de cette ville.

Nous allons présentement monter à cheval, et necesserons d'aller jusqu'à ce que nous soyons au lieu où il vous a plu nous commander aller pour vous faire service.

Sire, pour ce que nous avons mis en ce paquet le double du dit sauf-conduit, ensemble la lettre du dit Sturmius par laquelle vous, Sire, pourrez extendre quand fut l'armée de Paget à Calais, ensemble la lettre du prélat avec lequel il vient pour negocier, nous ne vous en ferons d'autre propos, nous recommandant toujours tant et si humblement qu'il nous est possible à votre bonne grâce et prions notre Seigneur, Sire, qu'il vous donne très bonne et très longue vie. Ecrit à Montreuil sur mer, ce Dimanche matin, 22 novembre.

*** Henry VIII, in 1543, after having made an alliance with the Emperor Charles V, withdrew his Ambassadors from France, and later in the year sent a detachment under Sir John Wallop in aid of the Emperor, so that in the latter part of 1543 he found himself once more at war both with Scotland and France, and at war with both of them he remained till within a few months of his death. Jean Babou, one of the signers of this letter, was the Master of the Wardrobe to the Dauphin Francis, eldest son of Francis I, and afterwards of Henry II and his son Francis II, husband of Mary Stuart. After the death of Francis II, Catherine of Médicis chose him as tutor to Francis, Duc d'Alençon, her fourth son, and made him lieutenant of the gendarmes of this prince, and captain of the town and Château of Ambroise.

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133 BOIS-GUILLEBERT (Pierre le Pesant, Sieur de) Author of "Marie Stuart, Regne d'Escosse," Doc. s. 4 pp. 4to, *June* 30, 1696

134 BOURBON (François, Duc de) L. s. 1 p. folio, 18 *June*, 1585:

[Translation] I have been very glad to understand by these bearers the goodwill which you have always borne to them and to the other inhabitants of my town of Thiern, and the good offices which they have up till now received from you and from your son, which causes me to write the present letter to you, to beg you as urgently as I can to be so good as to continue them to them on all the occasions which may be offered: particularly in diverting the companies which, while the wars are still in course, will be in the environs of my said town and barony of Thiern, delivering to them the safeguards which I have given to them, and the letters to this end which I wrote to the chief Captains and Leaders thereof, you will certainly do me a very agreeable pleasure which I will very willingly acknowledge in respect to you and your son when you would wish to employ me.

*** The wars referred to were the contests between the Catholic League and the Huguenots, or Henri III and the King of Navarre (Henri IV).

135 BURGHLEY (William Cecil, Lord) Doc. s. with one line holograph, 1 p. 4to, *Windsor*, 27*th Dec.* 1563. This appears to be addressed to the English Ambassador to Charles IX:

Finally ye shall ende all your Speeches as one that came but as a reporter of our doings and intentions, because they had no minister heere to understand the same. And not to demaunde any thing of theim. And so use meanes not to tary long there. But after your audyence to desyre to take your leave. In your negociation you shall say to the Regent that you ar bolde to speke your simple Frenche to her, and so begyn. But for the explication of your whole mater, yow shall beseech her to let you tell your message in latin, and to have the same reported by the L.[ord] Chancellor there, or other presidente at her pleasr [pleasure]. And so we thinke it best for you to doo. At Wyndsor ye XXVII of Deceb. 1563.

CECILL.

*** The fact that the ambassador's address to the Regent of France (Catherine de Medicis) was to be delivered in Latin is sufficient to prove its importance. In all probability that address concerned Mary Queen of Scots, who, at this time, was being courted by half the monarchs and princes of Europe. Catherine de Medicis had, about this time, suggested that Mary should marry Charles IX.

136 CAESAR DE VENDOME (son of Henri IV of France and Gabriel d'Estrées) L. s. 1 p. 4to, *Paris*, 5*th Nov.* 1582, to Chevalier de Vallebelle

137 CALVIN (John) Reformer, A. L. s. 1 p. 20 *May*, 1559:

[Translation] I confess having received the sum above contained by the hands of the treasurer Migerand. Done the 20th of May, 1559.

J. CALVIN.

This receipt is written below the original document ordering the payment of Calvin's salary:

[Translation] The Syndics and Council of Geneva . . . command that you deliver to the worthy Mr. John Calvin, minister of the

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Word of God [at Geneva?] for his wages at the present embertide the sum of 125 florins, etc.

*** Calvin helped John Knox to draw up his famous "Appellation" against the Bishops and Clergy, Queen Mary and Francis II. Calvin's autograph is of the greatest rarity.

138 CASTELNAU (Michel de, Sieur de La Mauvissière) Doc. s. on vellum, 1 p. folio, 26*th June*, 1570, *excessively rare*

*** Castelnau was sent to Scotland at the time Mary Stuart was affianced to the Dauphin François. On the death of François II he accompanied Queen Mary on her voyage to Scotland (1561), remained a year with her, and made several attempts to effect her reconciliation with Queen Elizabeth. His "Mémoires" were published in 1621.

139 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. A. L. s. 1 full p. folio, 7 *November*, 1570, to Jeanne d'Albret, Queen of Navarre (mother of Henri IV):

[Translation] My sister, I see what you tell me in your letters, and also what this bearer has told me, upon which you have satisfaction from the King, my son [Charles IX] by his letters and the commands he has given. So that I am sure that from henceforth it will be known how he wishes his Edict to be observed among all, and that such things will be done no more, also I am sure that on your side you will command it to be so well obeyed that it will be known how you wish the observance of this peace. I beg you so to act that they shall no longer continue to demolish Churches nor pillage the poor people, and that on every side this wickedness may cease, for there has been too much of it not to be aweary of it. As for me, I will hold the hand of all as far as I may be able, and pray God that things may so fall out that we may dwell all our lives in peace, and I beg you to believe that it is the thing on earth I most desire, and of those things which I deem may tend thereto I will spare no pains to remind the King, my son, and his brother, whom I know to be of a like mind. We are going to Monceaux to-morrow, I wish that you were there, being sure that you would find as much pleasure there as at La Rochelle. I will make an end praying God to give you what you desire. Your good Sister

CATERINE.

[Addressed] To the Queen of Navarre my sister.

*** A splendid letter, entirely autograph. UNPUBLISHED, and of the greatest importance, because it is relative to the religious troubles then raging throughout France. The massacre of St. Bartholomew occurred less than two years later (Aug. 1572). This letter is not included in the complete collection of Catherine de Medici's letters, published by Count Baguenault de Puchesse. This letter is accompanied by the very rare printed account (1549) of the Crowning of Catherine at St. Denis.

140 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. L. sub. and s. 1 p. folio, *Paris, June 9th*, 1552, to her husband Henri II:

[Translation] The Cardinal's man Sermonette, the bearer of this, has come hither to me bringing me letters from his Master telling me that, having heard of the Naples enterprise, he has charged the said bearer to go to you and very humbly beseech you that if you know of any way in which he can do you service in the said enterprise you should let him know your good pleasure therein and command him

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as one entirely dedicated and devoted to your service, and Count Collatin's man brings a like message from his master, who greatly desires that you will be pleased to employ him in the said enterprise. Whereupon, Monseigneur, knowing their goodwill in your service, I have thought it well to send this present by the said bearers to commend them to you and at the same time still very humbly to recommend myself ever to your good grace. Praying the Creator to give you, in perfect health, a very good and very long life.

*** The Cardinal referred to was probably Louis Cardinal de Guise.

141 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. L. sub. and s. 1 p. folio, *Orcamp, Aug.* 15, 1567, to the Landgrave George of Hesse:

[Translation] You will hear from the Sieur de Luz, bearer of this present, whom the King my Son, is sending to you, how great was his regret at the loss you have sustained, and what the King has commanded him to say to you thereon. I was minded to send this by him to assure you that I bore and bear my part therein, and that my greatest possible desire is to know that the friendship which prevailed should be renewed and continued by those whom he has left, who can never enjoy more happiness than I wish to each of them in particular. As I have charged the bearer to express to you more fully, and beg you to believe him. Praying God, my Cousin, to have you in His keeping.

142 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. L. s. dated *Blois, 26th Sep.* 1588, to Oratio Rucellay, "Gentleman in Ordinary of the Chamber of the King, my Son":

Concerning the proposed marriage of her grand-daughter, the Princess of Lorraine, with the Grand Duke of Tuscany, Ferdinand de Medici. He will have learned from her last letter that they have decided on the form of payment of the dowry of 600,000 écus, and hopes her Cousin the Grand Duke is as pleased with them as he has cause to be. They will do all they can to push the business forward —as she has a great desire to see the marriage completed, hoping that it will be to the happiness of both parties, and that they will be ever thankful to Monsieur Rucellay for the pains he has taken to bring it about.

*** Countersigned by De l'Aubespine.

143 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. L. s. to Oratio Rucellay, dated *Paris, 2 Feb.* 1588, concerning the proposed marriage of her Grandaughter to the Grand Duke of Tuscany, Ferdinand de Medici:

She has received his of the 16th Dec. and shown it to the king, and sent it to her son-in-law, the Duke of Lorraine, to consult them before answering. They are all glad at the goodwill of her cousin, the Grand Duke of Tuscany towards her grandaughter the Princess de Lorraine, and hope she will fall into his hands. Thinks this Treaty will be for the good of Christendom and especially of her son the king. They wish to get the intervention of the Pope to obtain from the King of Spain the consent which the Grand Duke desires. Will write to the Marquis de Pisani thereupon if thought desirable; the Grand Duke's knowledge of the affairs of Rome will make him the best judge—bids Sieur Oratio consult him and write to the Marquis in accordance with his advice.

144 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. The Original Account of Expenditure for Catherine de Medicis and her daughters, Elizabeth and Claude, for one day at Fontainebleau. "Compte de la

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dépense de panneterie, échançonnerie, de bouche, de fruiterie, etc. pour la Reine et Mesdames, à Fontainebleau le dit jour," dated *7th January*, 1553 (1554), signed by Jehan Baptiste Seghiso, Seigneur de Bouges, Councillor, and chief Maitre d'hôtel to Catherine de Medicis. The total expenditure for the day amounts to 229 livres tournois 9 sols, six deniers

*** This very interesting account must be one of the first from which the name of Mary Stuart is absent. There are other such accounts among the French National Archives, and six at the British Museum (Add. Ch. 13955, etc.), dated from 30th May, 1550, to the 6th Oct. 1552. Just seven days before the present date Mary Stuart was given her own establishment, though she was only eleven years old, the officers of her household entering upon their duties on the 1st January, 1554. She entertained her uncle, the Cardinal de Lorraine, to supper on that day to celebrate the occasion. The Dauphin (François) was also given his own household at that date, and Catherine took her two eldest daughters completely under her own care. From that date the accounts were kept separately, but the four children met daily, as before, for lessons and recreation.

145 CHALON (René de) Prince of Orange and Count of Nassau, Charles V's Governor in Burgundy, Doc. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Ghent, April 30th*, 1540, relative to Flemish affairs. *A full translation is with the document*

146 CHARLES IX. L. sub. and s. to Pope Pius IV, dated *Angoulême, 17th August*, 1565, begging His Holiness to pardon the King's Councillor and Auditor in the Chambres des Comptes of Paris, Charles Hubert le Fleure, for his fault in having married his deceased Wife's Sister without dispensation. "*Votre tres devot fils, Charles*" is in the king's own hand. Countersigned by Florimond Robertet

*** This interesting letter was exhibited before the "Institut Historique de France" in 1863. A pamphlet describing it was printed at the same time, and a copy of it accompanies the King's letter to the Pope.

147 CHARLES IX. L. s. to a Doc. on vellum, 1 p. folio, *Fontainebleau, 31 April*, on monetary matters, countersigned by the king's secretary, Brulart

148 CHARLES IX. Doc. s. 1 p. 4to, dated *Amboise, 15th May*, 1562, Order for payment to Captain Roger de Bonflais of two hundred livres tournois, his quarterly salary for April, May and June, his absence being due to his employment elsewhere on the king's service

149 CHARLES IX. Doc. s. *June 18th*, 1564, 1 p. folio, Order upon the death of his valet de chambre, Caius Virael, that his pension of 400 livres be paid to Pierre le Gras, now absent

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on his service in Germany, who shall serve him as secretary and interpreter in the German language; countersigned by Claude De l'Aubespine

150 CHARLES IX. The original Manuscript Estimate, signed by Claude Foucjues and Guillaume Marchant (the architects), of the cost of the proposed rebuilding of the Royal Palace of Noyon at Gisors in Normandy. The estimate covers 11 pp. folio, and is dated *December 5th*, 1570, *a description accompanies the document*

151 CHARLES V (of Spain) L. s. "Carlos," *Madrid, September 29th*, 1541, to the Dean and Chapter of the Church of Toledo:

The Emperor announces that he has resolved to return from Italy to Spain, and on his journey to attack Algiers and endeavour, by the grace of God, to drive the Turks out of that City, for the welfare of Christendom and especially of his Spanish dominions. He is already embarked for this enterprise and has written to all the Prelates of the Spanish Churches requesting them to offer special prayers for the success of his arms, by which they will do him pleasure and service.

*** This expedition against the Turks of Algiers was the most disastrous of all the Emperor's enterprises. Against the advice of his most experienced seamen Charles conducted a fleet from Italy against them. A succession of storms completely destroyed the fleet, and the Emperor himself reached the coast of Spain with difficulty.

152 CHARLES II (Duc de Lorraine) son-in-law of Catherine de Medicis, Signature to Transaction, concerning the woods of Flazoy, between him and the Dean and Chapter of the Church of Toulouse, dated *St. Mihiel*, 24 *Oct.* 1560, folio

153 CLAUDE (daughter of Louis XII and Queen of Francis I, Duchess of Lorraine and Countess of Blois) L. s. "Claude," to "Our beloved lieges Councillors and Officials of our finances" (Gens de nos comptes) at Blois, dated *Paris*, 22 *Feb.*:

The Queen expresses displeasure that her Equerry of Honour, François Grimault, Sieur de la Rifuetiere, has not received the full benefit of her gift to him of the preceding February, and enjoins them to attend to it without delay.

*** An excessively rare autograph.

154 COLIGNY (Gaspard de) Admiral of France, leader of the "Anti-Guises," A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Caen*, 10 *March* (1555?), to the Rhinegrave commanding the German troops of Lansquenets:

[Translation] Monsieur le Comte.—I have received the letter you wrote to me by M. de Lerry, and have also had from him ample news of you and all your private messages, upon which I will tell you that there is no gentleman in France who desires and seeks means of securing the repose of this country more than myself, which you have heard before, even from the gentleman who bears this present whom you have sometimes sent to me, and who has faithfully reported to you all that I have ever said thereupon, as I am sure he

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will do now, and as such matters make long discourse, I wish as much as you that we might meet, and if perchance you would take so much pains I assure you upon my honour that you may come into this Company in safety and return at your pleasure. Referring all the rest to the sufficiency of the present bearer I commend myself very affectionately to your good graces, and will pray God, Monsieur le Comte, to grant you a good and long life. From Caen, 10th March.

*** There is no distinct clue to the date of this letter, but the endorsement proves that it was later than 1552 as Coligny was made Admiral of France on the 11th November of that year. It was evidently written during the war with Spain in which Henri II supported the revolt of the Imperial cities against Charles V. The date is probably 1555, just before the abortive negotiations for a peace brought about by the intervention of England. Hostilities were suspended for a time and the plenipotentiaries, of whom Coligny was one, assembled in May, at Marc, between Calais, Ardres and Gravelines, but they could not come to terms, and separated shortly afterwards. Autograph letters of the famous Admiral are excessively rare.

155 COLIGNY (François de) French General, son of the Admiral, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, 27 *March*, 1584, to Mons. du Poet, mentioning the King Henry IV

156 COLIGNY (Gaspard de) Admiral of France, L. s. with Auto. postscript, 2 pp. folio, *Abbeville*, 7 *Sept.* 1555, to the Rhinegrave, commanding the German troops of veterans:

[Translation.] By your letter of the 3rd of this month I am informed of the dislodgment of the enemy and the conflicting advices you have of their intentions. To tell you my opinion, as to the report that they are to enter the country towards Rosoy; if it has been such weather there as it has been here it will be no easy matter for them to get through the woods. As to the other report, that they are to go and attack La Chapelle, it does not seem to me very likely either, for it is not a place to be taken in a moment, and therefore we should have sufficient forces to succour it, so that they would lose their labour by going thither, being no stronger than they are. But however it may be, I think you have done very well to send Captain Saragosse thither, and to command him to take as many pioneers as he can, and I have great pleasure in hearing of the good service which Captain de la Motte Rouge and the others who are in that place have done in hastening the works, and I will presently write to the said La Motte Rouge expressing my satisfaction, for I think it is but reasonable when they do their duty well to let them know that it is appreciated, in accordance with what you tell me. I also thank you heartily, Monsieur le Comte, for the trouble you have taken in writing to me so fully as you have in your said letter of the state of the said place, and generally for keeping me informed with such care and diligence of all that occurs in your neighbourhood, which gives me such pleasure as you may well imagine. As to your opinion that it would be well for me to go towards Corbye and Peronne with my forces, I will tell you that I have certain news that Monsieur de Buguycourt is assembling forces on this side both of Germans and from several garrisons, so that if I were to abandon this frontier it would give the enemy an opportunity of working great havoc. Also I think it is not necessary for the dislodgment of those at Guise to draw what forces I have in that direction to bring them nearer to

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yours, for I cannot believe that the enemy will attempt anything there, feeling confident, among other things, that the Spaniards of the Mesnie fort have not left that place, without whom the other forces are not fit to attempt much, also considering that Monsieur de Nevers will take the field with such a fine troop of cavalry as you know he can command. I presume also, as I have no letter from you more recent than that of the 3rd, that the aspect of the enemy is unchanged, for if anything new had chanced I am sure that you would have made it known to me at once. Begging you to continue often sending me all the news which you may hear, and recommending myself most heartily to your good graces, Monsieur le Comte, I pray the Creator to give you all that you desire. From Abbeville this VIIth day of September, 1555. Your appointments have been a little delayed because the Treasurer had not received all his money, which has been coming in all day, I believe, and I have commanded him to send them to you at once.

*** This letter was written during the war with Charles V. At this date Coligny, who had been made Governor of Picardy in June, 1555, had just completed a tour in those parts and, having provided for the safety of the frontier, was busy concentrating his forces in the neighbourhood of Abbeville. Soon after he joined the Duke of Nevers, and assisted him in revictualling Marienburg and Rocroy. In November he was entrusted with the negotiations for a peace between France and Spain, which culminated in the signing of the truce of Vaucelles on the 5th February, 1556.

157 COLIGNY (Gaspard de) Admiral of France, Doc. s. 1 p. folio, dated near *Monteuil*, 21 *Aug.* 1554, the nomination of the Sieur Marin du Val to the office of Procurator to the Admiralty at St. Valerie:

[Translation.] Gaspard de Couligny, Seigneur de Chastillon-sur-Loing, Knight of the Order of the King, Admiral of France, Councillor of the said Lord King in his Privy Council, Governor and Lieutenant-General of the city of Paris and territory of l'Ile de France, captain of a hundred men-at-arms of the ordonnance thereof. To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting: Being furnished by the said Lord with the state and office of Admiral, he was pleased, over and above other powers, prerogatives, faculties, and authorities to grant and abandon to us the nomination to the offices of Justice, and others depending upon and pertaining to that of Admiralty, to be granted by him upon our nomination. Therefore having full confidence in the person of M. Marin du Val, and in his judgment, sufficiency, loyalty, probity and good diligence, moved thereto by these causes and others, we have in virtue of our said power nominated and presented, nominate and present him to the King, our said Lord, for the office of procurator in the court of the Admiralty at St. Valerie en Caux and the environs, at present vacant by the death of Jehan Langlois, to have peaceable possession of the said office, to have, hold, exercise and enjoy the same with all the honour, authority, privileges, prerogatives, preeminences, franchises, liberties, rights, profits and emoluments thereunto pertaining. And we beg and very humbly request the said Lord that, upon this our nomination and presentation, he may be pleased to bestow upon the said du Val the said office of Procurator to the Admiralty, and command that such letters of gift and provision as are necessary and required be despatched to him. Given in the camp near Monteuil, under our sign and seal, this twenty-first day of August of the year one thousand five hundred and fifty-four.

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158 CONDÉ (Henri de Bourbon, Prince de) Cousin of Henri IV, his superscription and signature to a Letter, 1 p. folio, 27 *Juin*, 1582, to Mons. Du Pouet

159 CONDÉ (Henri de Bourbon, Prince de) His superscription and Signature to a Letter, 1 p. 4to, to Mons. du Pouet

160 CRUSSOL (Jacques de Seigneur d'Acier, Duc d'Uzès) Governor of Languedoc, one of the most celebrated soldiers of his time, A. L. s. to Catherine de Medici, 2 pp. folio, dated *Pont-Saint-Esprit*, 15 *Oct.* 1574, *a splendid letter*

*** Reports the treacherous proceedings of Maréchal Dampville in Languedoc. At Beaucaire he is ordering great sale of grain, and appropriating their Majesties revenues to his own ends; haranguing the people, and telling them he is not of the Huguenot party, but may use their services as their Majesties use those of the Turks. Thinks all this very contrary to the orders given to Dampville to restore the towns he occupies to the King's allegiance. Advises the sending of heralds to these towns inviting the people to return to the King's service, which they are ready to do, but are misled by the said maréchal. Advises that the post of captain of Lancatte, which one of the maréchal's followers is asking for, with protestations of loyalty, should not be granted till they are sure of his fidelity.

161 DE LIMEUIL (Isabelle) one of the Court of Catherine de Médicis, Series of Four A. L. s. from Isabelle de Limeuil, from Claude de Saulx (Governor of Auxonne, where Isabelle was imprisoned in the Convent of the Cordeliers), and from her lover, Louis I, Prince de Condé, covering 7 pp. folio

*** These remarkable letters illustrate a copy of the late Duc d'Aumale's privately printed book: "Information contre Isabelle de Limeuil." Isabelle de la Tour de Turenne, Demoiselle de Limeuil, was maid of honour to Catherine de Médicis. She entered upon an amorous intrigue with Louis I, Prince de Condé, and when, in May, 1564, Charles IX and Catherine, surrounded by her maids of honour, arrived at Dijon, she suddenly, and during the progress of a solemn audience, gave birth to a boy. A false charge of conspiring to poison a prince of the blood, Charles de Bourbon, was trumped up, Catherine de Médicis treating Isabelle with a rigour which astonished the Court. The Demoiselle de Limeuil was sent from prison to prison until at last an end was put to this treatment and she was allowed her freedom. She returned to Paris, near the Prince her lover, and the Queen Mother married her to a very rich protégé, the "Lucquois" Sardini. The *unpublished* letter of the Prince de Condé to Isabelle is as follows:

[Translation] My heart, what can I say to you, but that I shall not be at ease until I see you, to serve you with my soul and body and will not fail you with my life. Begging you to believe that as fortune

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has befallen all must be taken in patience and to assure yourself as to me, that you will find me never wanting in your service. I send you Dupont and my apothecary to serve you and to know *where they have put our son to have him nursed* and to succour you. Begging you more than very humbly to inform me where I could find you to go to receive your commands and obey them even if there be risk of my life, and to know what you would wish me to say to the Queen (Catherine de Médicis) for your service; assuring you that I hold your grievances to be mine, and your fortune which I wish to chance with you and hope to make you good company in it. I beg you, my heart, to believe that I will never abandon you and that I will be to you for ever the most faithful servant that ever served a lady. . . . . I beg you to inform me quickly where I may find you. Take courage, my heart, and take care of yourself, and I shall never be so happy as in my desire according to which I shall be to you forever a faithful heart and loyal servant, etc.

Condé, who intrigued with the Scottish reformers, was assassinated by order of the Guises in 1569; he was one of the Regents after the death of François II. ISABELLE'S LETTER TO CLAUDE DE GUISE, DUC D'AUMALE follows:

[Translation] I beg you very humbly to pardon me if I take the boldness to importune you to read this letter, by which, Monseigneur, I require you in honour of God, that it will please you to have pity on the tribulations and afflictions from which I suffer. And, moreover, among those (afflictions) in which I am, your nephew De Maulevryer has fathered upon me a terrible lie, towards the Queen (*Catherine de Médicis*) first, and Monsieur le Prince de la Roche sur Yon; of which lie, I wish only God and his (De Maulevryer's) conscience, if he is a man of worth, for judge. Do me this honour, for the honour of our Lord, to put before his eyes the wrong which he does to me and to his reputation, which, if I must say it, is scarcely good. He will remember well the speeches which he told me at Paris, that Madame de Longueville had said to him of me, which he dared not maintain to Monsieur de Longueville, and begged me, and caused me to be begged by Monsieur de Nevers, to write and assure Monsieur de Longueville, who had threatened him, that never had he spoken of them and further prayed me to cause him to be pardoned, which I did in the garden of the Louvre. . . . . I am sure that if Monsieur your cousin were at Court he would not be so overweening, to have thus, pardon me if I say it, lied. And on this matter I offer prayer to God to show my innocence, and may He grant to you the fortune and content you desire, etc.

The Duc d'Aumale (as chief of the House of Guise) accompanied Mary Stuart to Scotland in 1561.

The letters from De Saulx (Isabelle's custodian) to Catherine de Médicis are:

[Translation] (1) I have received the letters which it has pleased you to write to me by Martin de Beaune, Abbé of Coulombres, and Monsieur Sarian, and have done what your Majesty commanded me in the present letter, supplicating you to remember what it pleased you to say to me that you would leave *Mademoiselle de Limeuil* with me for one month only which will shortly expire and desiring to place her elsewhere, in considering the importance of this town on which an attack could be made. . . . . Madame de Toulojon (Toulonjeon) has informed me that your Majesty wishes that I might receive letters to the said Mademoiselle and take copies of them which I have done, and even of one *which Monsieur the Prince de Condé has written to her and her reply to the same*? *which letters* I would have sent you if they had touched against the service of the King and you, but they are only love narratives. . . . . ., etc.

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[Translation] (2) . . . . . I went to see *Mademoiselle de Lymeuil* to recover from her the letters which she has received since she has arrived in this town, and finding her quite in tears, and half desperate, I was obliged to withdraw until 6 o'clock. When she was a little better, and I begged her to show me the original of the letters which she had received since the said time: which forthwith she did with that which she had, for she had only received the letter of *Monsieur le Prince de Condez*, and the others she had burnt suddenly after having received them, of which I send you the copies taken from the true originals with the said letter of Monsieur le Prince. Assuring you that she has not received any news since the departure of Messieurs de Puy and de Zerlan. Which is cause of the great discomfort which she endures, thinking herself to be deserted of all those in whom she had hope. And I do not believe that she can live in this state for long, if a woman ought to die of melancholy, *for on seeing her face, it seems she must incontinently die.* Supplicating you very humbly that it would please your Majesty to put her elsewhere, or at any rate to pity on her. Your Majesty will be pleased to remember that you did me the honour to write to me by Madame de Toulonjon a letter by hand, by which you commanded that I should do what the said Dame de Toulonjon should say to me touching the said Demoiselle de Lymeuil, Which lady returned to find you at Paigny and informed me that your intention was such that the said Lymeuil received the letters which should be written to her, copies to be taken thereof to send to you forthwith when it should please you to demand them of me. And I promise you, on my faith, I would never have permitted the said Lymeuil to receive a letter, if the said Dame de Toulonjon had not ordered me to do so . . . . . etc.

162 DU BELLAY (Jean, *Cardinal*) Diplomat and Statesman, Ambassador from France to Henry VIII at the time of the schism with Rome, Lieutenant General of the Kingdom, Bishop of Ostia during the reign of Henri II, A. L. s. to Monsieur la Vigne, dated *Rome, 15 March*; he asks him to procure him some of the Grand Seigneur's *teriac*, it being reputed the best of all

*** The Cardinal was the uncle of Joachim de Bellay, one of the most famous French poets during the residence of Catherine de Médicis in France. Mary Stuart possessed a copy of his nephew's Elegy upon the Dead. (See G. F. Barwick, A Book bound for Mary Queen of Scots, p. 25). Holograph letters are very rare.

163 ELIZABETH OF ENGLAND. A STATE PAPER, signed at head by the Queen, *dated Nov. 23rd*, 1569. The text of the document is as follows:—

Elizabeth R. Right trusty and well-beloved we grete you well fforasmuch as it hath byn of late brought to our knowledge that certeyne of our unnaturall subiects in the North have attempted to stirr our people in th(os)e pties (parts) to disobedience and Rebellion, upon certeyne wycked and malicious ptences (pretences) & devises, to the troble and daunger of our estate yf the same shold not be provided for and met with all in tyme, And fynding it therfore necessarye to have the force of our good and loving subiectes through out our Realme to be put in convenient redynes for the Better withstanding of all inconvenience that myght be offered, we have thought mete for the assured good opinion we have conceived of your wysdom experience and fydelitie towards us, to appoynt yow to be our lieutenant and have the charge of that our County of Cambridge, and for that purpose have

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herewth addressed our Comission of Lieutenancie under our great Seale of England unto yow, Ernestly requiring you, not onely to have speciall care and regard to the pservacion (preservation) and mayntennce of good order and quiet amongst our Subiects of our sayd County, and to doe your best indevour for the suppressing of any stirr or tumult that should any wayes be attempted by any our unnaturall Subiectes wthin yor rule, but also to put the hole force of all the hable (able) men both on horsback and on foote within our sayd County in such good order & redynes furnished with their Armur and weapons, as they may alwayes upon one howres warning be reddy to serve us whersoev (wheresoever) ye shall appoint for the suppression of any stirr or Rebellion that might be attempted, wherin we doubt not but ye will use your (best) endevour: and advertise us from tyme to tyme of the state of your Charge, when occasion shall (be) offered. Yeven (Given) under our Signet at our Castell of Wyndesour the 23rd day of November 1569 in the twelveth yere of our Reigne.

*** This important State Paper has special reference to the famous Ridolfi plot on behalf of Mary Stuart. The person to whom this letter was addressed was Roger, Baron North. This is accompanied by a very rare pamphlet, printed in 1569, relative to this plot.

164 ELIZABETH (or Isabel) wife of Philip II of Spain, daughter of Henri II and Catherine de Médicis, A. L. s. to Ogier Chiselinde Busbecq, formerly Ambassador of the Emperor, dated 29*th June* (1573). The date is determined by her allusion to "my brother the King of Poland." Henri, afterwards King of France, was elected King of Poland in 1573, and fled secretly to France in the following year on the death of his brother Charles IX, which took place on the 30th May, 1574:

[Translation] I have received your two letters of the 5th and 15th of May, which arrived in the same week, and that which came for the Emperor I sent on at once, and I am very sorry that these matters of the War are going so badly there, though I hope that God will help the King, and I have seen what Drolin writes, but I think that the merchants will not listen to it until we have an answer to the last letters which I wrote to you, and I thank you for the present which you sent me; they are very pretty little animals and help me to pass the time. I have not much to say about my brother, the King of Poland, except that we know that he is well, God be praised. I hope a remedy will be sought, though it might have been done before, concerning what you ask of the Emperor. You may believe me that I cannot obtain an answer, for I should not like you to think that I do not try; the worst of it is that one can never obtain anything, and you will do me a pleasure by getting someone to make another novena to St. Michael for me.

*** A SPLENDID LETTER. With it is a copy of "Latin Themes of Mary Stuart," most of these *Themes* having been addressed by Mary to Elizabeth, her future sister-in-law, who was educated with her.

165 EPERNON (Jean Louis La Valletta, Duc d') Doc. s. 1 p. folio, 28 *March*, 1608, acknowledging that he has received a certain sum from M. Claude Chastelain

*** Epernon was one of the most prominent favourites of

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Henri III. He was present at the assassination of Henri IV, and was suspected of being privy to it. After the murder, the Duke, without losing a moment, proclaimed Marie de Médicis regent, with menacing words and hand on his sword.

166 ESTE (Anne d', Duchesse de Nemours and Guise) wife of François de Lorraine, Duc de Guise, and afterwards of Jacques, Duc de Nemours and Savoy, Signed Receipt for a sum of money received from François de Vigny Sr. de Forest, Receiver of Paris, paid to her as the heiress of her brother, Cardinal Luigi d'Este, as regards his property in France, dated *Paris*, 5 *Nov.* 1593

*** The first Court festivity in which Mary Stuart took part in France was the marriage of Anne d'Este to her uncle Francis, afterwards Duc de Guise.

167 FOIX (Paul de) Ambassador from Charles IX to Scotland during the reign of Mary Queen of Scots, and also to Elizabeth, Doc. s. *on vellum*, *London*, *Dec.* 1562, being a receipt for his salary as Ambassador, *very rare*

168 FRANÇOIS I. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, *Fontainebleau*, 7 *janvier*, 1543:

Ordre au trésorier de son épargne, Jean Duval, de payer à Come d'Alcastir (?) la somme de 1125 livres tournois faisant la valeur de 500 écus d'or au soleil à XLV s. pièce tant pour être venu de Piémont que pour retourner présentement en diligence à Rome, pour aucunes affaires secrètes et d'importance concernant le service du roi et en revenir pour lui rendre compte.

*** Countersigned by the King's secretary, Bochetel.

169 FRANÇOIS II. L. s. to Sebastian de l'Aubespine, Bishop of Limoges, his Ambassador in Spain, 1 p. folio, *Pontgom*, *June* 22*nd*, 1560:

[Translation] Because of my desire to obtain some fine young horses from Spain, I have thought fit presently to send thither the Sieur de Morange to the end that he may endeavour in such parts and places as he may think most proper to choose and buy me some, according to the orders I have given him. And as I well know that without letters of Safe conduct and others of favour it will be very difficult for him both to discover any and to take them out of that Country. I therefore write by him to the Queen of Spain, my good Sister, and beg her to request my good Brother, the Catholic King, for the love he bears me, to be pleased to deliver to the said Morange such letters of Safe-conduct and favour as he may require, a thing which, from the friendship which is between us, I think he will not refuse, and I will and intend that you should also on your part present to him the same instance, prayer and request, as I have charged the said bearer to explain to you more fully for me. Praying God, Monsieur de Limoges, to have you in His high and holy keeping. [Countersigned by Florimond Robertet.]

[Addressed] To Monsieur the Bishop of Limoges my Councillor Maître des Requêtes of my hotel and Ambassador to the Catholic King of Spain, my good brother.

*** This letter is of peculiar interest as showing the king's passion for horses, hunting and riding, which was shared by his

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young wife. It is recorded that they spent most of their time in the saddle during the whole month of June in which this letter is dated. This shows that Mary did not keep her resolution to give up hunting which she had made in the previous year shortly after her husband's coronation.

170 FRANÇOIS II and D'URFÉ (Claude) Baron de Chateauneuf, Doc. s. "Urfe," *on vellum*, 1 p. folio, 21 *January*, 1555 (1556), the receipt for a quarter of his salary as lieutenant in the Dauphin's company, in which he has the charge "jusques à ce que mon dit sgr. le Dauphin soit en aage de les conduire"

*** Urfé was the King's steward, the Dauphin's (François II) tutor, and Ambassador to the Council of Trent in 1547.

171 FRANÇOIS II. Letters Patent, dated *Blois*, 19*th January*, 1559, 1 p. folio, upon the petition of the inhabitants and Municipality of Orléans, confirming the privileges granted to them by his father and grandfather by which the account of the administration of the public revenues, customs, etc. of that city are rendered to the Baillie of Orléans, or his deputy the Provost, the municipal authorities being exempted from rendering an account in the Chambre des Comptes of Paris, and enjoining the officials of the Chambres des Comptes to refrain from molesting them in the enjoyment of this privilege. Signed by Delabres, the king's secretary

172 FRANÇOIS (Duc d'Alençon and afterwards d'Anjou) fifth son of Henri II and Catherine de Médicis, receipt to Estienne Regnault for 735 écus, signed by Jehan de Semyer, Councillor and First Gentleman of the Bedchamber of Monseigneur the King's brother, dated 12*th April*, 1580

173 GREGORY XIII (Pope in 1572) Hugo Buoncompagno. Supported Henri III of France against the Calvinists, a remarkable series of ten Letters signed by him, dated 1574 to 1583

174 GREGORY XIV (Pope in 1590) Nicolas Sfondrate. Excommunicated Henri IV of France and supported "The League" against him. Also excommunicated the Calvinists, L. s. "Greg. P. P. XIIII" to his Treasurer and Collector General, 1 p. folio, *March* 8, 1591

175 GUISE (Charles de Lorraine) Duc de Guise and Chevreuse, Prince de Joinville, Count d'Eu and Governor and Lieutenant General of Champagne and Brie, Certificate signed "Guise," dated *Rheims*, 22 *May*, 1594, for Michel le Tellier, whom he is sending with the deputies to the King to render an account of the finances, to the effect that he has filled his post of Superintendent of the said finances in the "Chambre des Comptes" to the satisfaction of all

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176 GUISE (Charles de Lorraine, Cardinal de), known as "The Cardinal de Lorraine," brother of Marie de Guise and uncle of Mary Queen of Scots, Doc. s. on vellum, 1 p. folio, *Plessis, 4th April*, 1570

177 GUISE (Charles de, Cardinal de Lorraine) Receipt s. "Cardinal de Lorraine," dated 25 *Feb.* 1572, to the Receiver General of the Clergy, Claude Marcel, for 5,000 livres tournois, for payment of his pains in attending to the sale of Church property, "as deputy of our Holy Father the Pope for the sale and alienation in perpetuity of a revenue of 50,000 écus from the Church property of this Kingdom."

*** François II and Mary were devoted to the Cardinal, and, during their brief reign, his power was such that the Venetian Ambassador wrote that the Cardinal "was Pope and King in the realm, enjoying such authority as had never been seen before."

178 GUISE (Charles de Lorraine, Duc de) Doc. s. 6 pp. folio, *Paris*, 4 *Nov.* 1623, relating to the sale of the lordship of Chanvan to Cardinal Richelieu by the Duke and Duchess of Guise, in their position as tutors to Marie de Bourbon, Duchesse de Montpensier

*** Important. Signed also by Cardinal Richelieu and the Duchesse de Guise, Henriette Catherine de Joyeuse.

179 GUISE (Henri de Lorraine, Duc de) called "le Balafré," assassinated by order of Henri III. L. s. with autograph subscription, 1 p. folio, *Paris*, 6 *Aoûst*, 1577, to the Duc de Savoye, recommending the bearer of the letter to his notice, *very rare*.

*** This is accompanied by a very rare pamphlet, printed in 1588, relative to his murder

180 GUISE (Louis de Lorraine, Cardinal de) Archbishop of Reims, Doc. s. 1 p. folio, 30*th October*, 1575

181 HALLUYE (Charles de) Seigneur de Piennes, afterwards Duc d'Halluye, celebrated Soldier, Councillor of State, Ambassador (with the Scotsman Lethington) from Charles IX to Elizabeth in 1563. Letter with signature and two lines autograph to Charles IX, 2 pp. folio, dated *Abbeville*, 4 *June*, 1569, *a splendid letter*. Reports his operations in Picardy. His receiving the oath of fidelity of Protestants and rebuilding fortifications of Rue and Amiens. Has not yet restored Gamaches to his possessions, the Castle of Gamaches being so important; awaits further orders and even Letters Patent from the King before doing so

182 HENRI II. Doc. s. *Blois, Jan. 4th*, 1551, 1 p. folio. Order to his Treasurer, Monsieur Jacques Veau, to pay 50 livres Tournois to Martin Dubuisson, an archer in the company of "our very dear and beloved cousin, the Sieur de St. André, Maréchal of France," who missed receiving his quarter's pay by not being present at the review of the said company, having fallen ill on the way

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183 HENRI III. A. L. s. 7 pp. folio (1583), to his Secretary of State—Villeroi, *a most superb letter*. Probably the longest and most remarkable Auto. letter of Henri III extant:

[Translation] It is with great regret that I see my affairs in such a ruinous condition, and so likely to become worse unless the hand of God should intervene. I felt all the displeasure about Terceiras that you can imagine, but I am still more grieved that not only by this loss and shame, but by want of resolution, we are brought to such a pass that we are not only unable to undertake anything, but are almost incapable of defending ourselves, the necessity whereof being so clear that it will be as well known to the vulgar as it is to us, and it is to be feared to our enemies, both at home and abroad, of which there is no lack. Casimir is well armed and unoccupied, and has always shown us such good-will that, when he hears of the state of affairs, as he well may, and of our irresolution and want of foresight, I leave you to imagine what he may do, with the assistance of so many whose only aim is to hasten our downfall and bring us to total ruin, the time being come, as it now is, for the restitution of the places which I think they will by no means restore, knowing how ill-furnished we are with means to force and constrain them thereto, encouraged and assisted by Damville and others, as is commonly reported and believed. My brother's (the Duc d'Anjou) troops, which increase instead of diminishing, contrary to my hope and the promise which the Queen, my mother, sent me word that he had made to her, the small force we have on foot, which can hardly be maintained longer without payment, the ruin of my unfortunate people, which I know will be the result, and they are certainly ruined enough and too much already, seeing the exhaustion of their finances by our ordinary and necessary expenses, and by my brother and his forces, who draws upon them to furnish him with money upon bonds, or by the extractions of his people from my subjects, which deprive them of the means of paying my just dues, the want of justice in the provinces, and as the strongest can make that believed which they chose, the contempt which our faults at Terceiras and our misfortunes have brought upon us, and the appearance of devotion of in his possessions, if things are as you report to me, and worse still, always more ill-will and opportunity for others to do evil to us than for us to defend and prevent it. . . . Courage! it is great affairs that prove the mind and heart; for my part I have made a resolution, with which I beg all my faithful servants to furnish themselves against my return, never to desist until I have put my affairs upon a better footing, and until we have bent the bow in the contrary direction to what it is now. I know that this will require great strength, but it must be done, and so let each and every one be ready. The things which ruin great Empires are, and have ever been, wholly or in part, the want of justice, lack of money, and irresolution on these two points or on others, especially want of foresight in being on good terms with subjects, and feared and respected by them, and friends with neighbours and foreigners. . . . With regard to finances some must be found, and the money which is gone is replaced by three times as much, and my poor subjects relieved if there is any earthly possibility of it, which, seeing my necessities, I think and fear will be very difficult, but my brother must behave himself, and no longer drain our resources, but keep within his proper limits, for I am the King, and responsible to God for the maintenance of the State. And whatever shall be resolved I will abide by it, and will not be the reed of Christendom, thinking that by my want of constancy our State until now has been like a reed swayed by every wind, and we must consider well what should be done and adhere to it inviolably, without considering beforehand what should not be considered until our affairs are settled, for he who is determined to be lost is lost. As for me, I am resolved thenceforward to maintain and reinstate myself, for I do not wish that in my time such a stain should

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be upon me that I ruined, or that ruin came upon this almost unruinable kingdom. . . . One, among others, the justice which would follow; and another, the fear which the wicked would feel of undertaking anything, and no one would dare anything without being chastised by justice and brought to trial, with armed force to execute what justice alone cannot accomplish. No Catholic or Huguenot would dare to move under the cloak of devotion or any other occasion, but all alike would be forced to obey. All this requires money, both to set justice in motion and to pay the military forces. Also, if I would be the King, I must have forces to make myself obeyed and defend myself from those who would do us harm, and to that end I would rather that all other expenditure should be retrenched, for this is in accordance with reason, and no one can think it otherwise; the good will approve it, and the wicked cannot but admit that it is for the good of the State, for by these means my authority would be restored and my subjects relieved. . . . I am of an age to live long, and, thank God, very healthy, and no longer of an age to indulge in the vanities of twenty: this is what has made me resolve to take the bit between my teeth and escape from this blow, little by little be it understood, for I do not flatter myself that it can be done in an instant . . . etc.

*** Henry was Catherine de Medicis' favourite son, and the one who was most susceptible to her influence. This letter, however, proves that at times Henri made great efforts to govern France independently of the Queen-Mother.

184 HENRI III. A. L. s. to the Seigneur de Villeroi (Ambassador in Scotland in 1567):

[Translation] I send you Curton, let him be despatched in all things, and strictly enjoin the marquis by to-morrow that he is to be despatched, and that I am well satisfied with him, and send letters to all the others that Curton will tell you to the effect that the said Curton has asked me for an office of Councillor. I wish you to consult as to what must be done to procure it for him, for he is unequalled, and despatch Laboye to the Marquis de Canillac, and when I arrive there I will decide about M. Bodle, but let him (Curton) carry the despatch. I have thought that one of the said marquis's party, who is coming, has a quarterly place in my Council of State, which would be still better, consult with Curton which would be best and decide with him, and send me the answer, but let him be gone to-morrow. I am writing to the Queen, my good mother (*Catherine de Medicis*), send her my letter . . .

185 HENRI III. L. s. folio, to Monsieur de Poyanne, dated *last day of January*, 1585 (1586). The King says that he has written to Maréchal de Matignon, to let Poyanne know his wishes with regard to the town of Acqs. (Arques)

186 HENRI III. L. s. dated *Blois, 27th Feb.* 1577, to Monsieur de Poyanne, thanking him for his good services, and those of many other gentlemen of which the King has heard from the Sieur de Banjamont

187 HENRI III. L. s. 1 p. folio, *March 24th*, 1578, to the Consuls of Arles:

[Translation] We send our beloved and faithful Counsellor in our Privy Council and Master of Regnosts in ordinary of our Household, the Sieur de Masparrault, the present bearer into our country of Languedoc, for the execution of our Edict of Pacification; and forasmuch as it is highly important for the furtherance of the latter,

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that he should be able to repair in all safety to the said country to our very dear and beloved cousin the Marshal de Dampville, for this reason we beg and nevertheless command you that to this effect you will give him all the zeal, aid and assistance which he may require of you in order to avoid the hindrances which might offer themselves on his journey. Assure yourselves we shall consider it very acceptable whatever you do in this point, in which we trust that you will not show yourselves less well affected to the good of our affairs than you have been accustomed on all other occasions.

188 HENRI III. L. s. 1 p. folio, 10 *May*, 1577, to "My Cousin the Duke of Vigney, Chevalier of my order and Captain of 50 lances of my Ordinance." *An interesting war letter:*

[Translation] Having concluded to send my brother, the Duc d'Anjou [Henri III] into Auvergne to replace under my control the places occupied by the enemy, I have determined to use your company between the forests that I have intended for the army that must be conducted thither. Being assured that you will wish to spare nothing on this occasion of the affection and valour of which you have already given such worthy proof in my service. For this cause I beg you, my Cousin, to fail not to ride as quickly as you can with your company to find my brother near Issoire, whither he will be in a few days, etc.

189 HENRI III. The Original Manuscript signed (as Duc d'Anjou), 20 pp. folio, *Paris*, 20 *April*, 1572. An Order to Pierre Duhalde to pay his Valet the various sums which he had advanced to the King during the latter's journey, and his illness at Chantilly, etc.

*** An extremely important and remarkable manuscript, perhaps the longest personal document ever signed by the King. Henri III signed this document but four months before "the Massacre of St. Bartholomew." But nine days previous to the date of this document the marriage contract between Henry of Navarre and Marguerite de Valois had been signed, although the marriage did not take place until August. Indeed, Henri III, as "Monsieur," was then enmeshed in the toils of Catherine de Medicis' intriguing policy regarding this marriage.

190 HENRI III. Doc. s. 1 p. 4to, dated *Paris*, 28*th Jan.* 1580. Order to the treasurer of his "Epargne," Jacque le Roy, to pay 1000 écus to George Birat, one of his "portemanteaux ordinaires"

191 HENRI III. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Blois*, 21*st May*, 1581. Order to Pierre Mollar, treasurer of his "Epargnes," to pay 300 écus to the Sieur de la Bodene, Lieutenant of the Court de Brissac in the town and castle of Fallaise

192 HENRI OF NAVARRE. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, 21 *July*, 1583. The petition of Jehan de Neufville, asking permission to build a windmill on a river; with the King's signed consent at the foot; countersigned by Pericard

193 HENRI IV. L. s. 1 p. oblong folio, *Chartres*, 21*st Feby.* 1594, to the Royal Treasurer, commanding that the Sieur d'Aulry be paid 1000 écus sol

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194 HENRI IV. L. s. 1 p. folio, 9 *Nov.* 1598, to the President and Treasurers of Finances at Lyon ; countersigned by Villeroy

195 HENRI IV. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, *Fontainebleau*, 6 *Oct.* 1601, to M. Etienne Puget, "Treasurer of our Royal Treasury," commanding him to pay the Sieur Lesdiguières the sum of 6,000 crowns for part expenses incurred by him when conducting the army in Savoy

196 HENRY VIII (of England)' L. sub. and s. to Madame de la Ferte :

Madame Jay commandé a Messe John Hervey l'ung des gentils hommes de ma chambre a vous pnter de p. moy une gaige de lamitie que vo porte ces Oyseaulx de Leuvre po vo donner recreation en leur vollerye. Et y aurois bn volu mes battre avecques vo se nestois ung peu mallade de fiebure Madame trouerez au dit quoy trois gerfaulx a gars et ung blanc quat'aut's deux sors Lesquels tous ay bn volu eslire moy mesme que dignes destre mys en vre Faulconerye. Et ne vo debuez surprendre de me voyr ainsy vre faulconyer q'nt telz oyseaulz, se vont soub mettre à la collombe que est exemple a ymyter p tous et pmycrement par

Vre bon Amye,
HENRY R.

Sy doibt on leur laysse(r) prendre qlques pdr . . . labord affin q ne s . . . pos ce quyl yalong . . . s quon ne les ait fait volles, de Caillaiz ce iijme apres disner.

*** A remarkably interesting letter, being entirely relative to a gift of hawks and to falconry.

197 JAMES VI OF SCOTLAND. Doc. s., dated from *Holyrood House*, 13 *February*, 1586 (1587 *new style*) ; this document sets out that certain inhabitants of Polwarth, who were over sixty years of age, should be exempted from serving as soldiers and from acting as jurors in criminal or civil Courts ; that their lands and goods should not suffer on this account, and that all officers of the Scots Crown should be held blameless for not proceeding against them for non-service

*** What gives very exceptional and peculiar interest to this document is that James' signature was appended to it, *only five days after the execution of his mother, Mary Queen of Scots.* She had been sentenced on October 25, 1586, but the execution only took place on February 8, 1587 (new style). This document is dated "At Halirood hous, XIII day of februar, and of our Reginie the twentie zeir 1586." James' reign began from the abdication of Mary Queen of Scots, at Loch Leven Castle, in July 1567, so that "Feb. 13, 1586," is the old style reckoning and according to modern computation Feb. 13, 1587.

198 JOURNIER, Clerk of the Consulate of Montelimar. A. L. s. 2 pp. folio, *Montelimar*, 26 *April*, 1587, to Du Poet :

[Translation] We have received the letter which it has pleased you to write to us, and have seen by this that you desire to know the state of the health of this Town since your departure. To satisfy which, we advertise you that since that time there are dead ten

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persons in divers places of the Town, there happening unexpectedly always something in the usual fashion; to which we give the best order that we can, as well for obeying your commandments as for the duty of our charge. We will keep the lodgings and other necessary things for the troops of Monsieur de les Diguieres all ready, so far as it will be possible for us, and will take pains for the rest to obey all your commandments. And for as much as we are in great difficulty and inconvenience for lack of means to have some corn for succouring the poor folk sick of the contagion, we would beg you very humbly to please to command Captain Gebogne to be so good as to cause to be delivered to us 57 . . . of corn which he has in his keeping over there, upon the promise which we make to you of replacing it as soon as we can, . . . etc.

199 JOYEUSE (Anne de) Favourite of Henri III, who created him Duke, Peer and Admiral of France, he was defeated and killed at Coutras. Signed Receipt, dated 4 *Feb.* 1583, to Pierre Nolan, Treasurer of the King's "Epargne," for 600 écus to be employed in matters of the King's service which he wishes should not be mentioned

200 LAMET (Sebastien) Italian Banker, favourite of Catherine de Medicis, who made him Gentleman of the Chamber of Henri III, and Steward of her own Household, a signed Receipt for five hundred livres, dated 21 *Oct.* 1601

201 L'HOSPITAL (Michel de) Poet, Chancellor of France, etc. A. L. s. 1 p. folio, to his Daughter, Madame de Belesbat, dated *Ver le Grand, 30th June,* 1571, relating to family matters—hopes that her daughter will be well, and that age and diet will do more for her than "the prescriptions of doctors who are full of vanity or thirst for profit."

*** A superb letter and excessively rare as a holograph. This famous Poet addressed many of his poems to Henri II, Catherine de Medicis, François II and Mary Stuart.

202 LORRAINE (Antoine de Guise, Duc de) L. s. 1 p. folio, *Nancy, 1st July,* 1516. The request of the Dean and Chapter of St. Dié to the Duc de Lorraine, asking permission to confiscate the property of a "jeune compaignon non marié trouvé dans les bois pendu et estranglé d'une corde à ung planon de boix." Beneath the document is the signed approbation of the Duke

203 LORRAINE (Charles II, Duke of) surnamed "The Great," married Claude de France, daughter of Henri II and Catherine de Medicis, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Gondreville, 10th Sept.* (1578), to the King of France (Henri III), his brother-in-law. A fine letter in which the Duke states that he has learned that the King was unwell and expresses the hope that he will soon be cured. "Your Majesty will see by this letter that I am sending the soldiers, which the Prince of Orange can have, to the Queen" (Catherine de Medicis)

*** Excessively rare as a holograph.

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204 LORRAINE (Charles de, Duc de Mayenne) L. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Niort, 11th May* (1577), to Louis de Saint Gelais, Seigneur de Lansac, Vice-Admiral of Guyenne, begs him to come to him if possible, that they may consult together on some important enterprise, and what vessels he has for reinforcement—leaves the rest to the bearer and bids him tell the latter where his ships can anchor. The great thing is that they should meet

*** Relative to the operations against the Huguenots. Charles de Lorraine was the second son of Francis, Duke of Guise, and first cousin to Mary Stuart. He was one of the greatest Generals of his time and gained conspicuous successes over the Huguenots about this date. He was afterwards head of the Catholic Party and of the League.

205 MARGUERITE (youngest daughter of Henri II and Catherine de Medicis) married Henri of Navarre, who became Henri IV, Doc. s. 1 p. folio, ordering payments to certain members of her Household

206 MARIE DE GUISE (Queen of James V of Scotland, mother of Mary Queen of Scots, and mother-in-law of François II) Doc. s. (as Queen Regent of Scotland) "Marie R." dated *Edinburgh, February 7th*, 1557, a very curious document relative to the dispute between the Earl of Argyle and certain Scottish Clans

*** An exceedingly rare autograph. The document also bears the Queen Regent's Seal.

207 MARY I (of England) Doc. s. "Marye the Quene." The Original Order for "Oone (one) yerde of purple Vellat (velvet) to be employed about our Paulmes on Paulme Sunday next. And for the trymyng (trimming) of Brushes for the Washing of Aulters in our Chapell" to be delivered unto Robert Bassett, Sergeant of the Vestry, *Palace at Westminster, 25th March*, 1557, *with a fine impression of the Queen's seal intact*; countersigned by Thos. Thirlby, Bishop of Ely and Privy Councillor. Addressed to Sir Edwarde Walgrave (*i.e.* Waldegrave) "Master of our greate Guarderobe"

*** Church of England documents of this nature are of the greatest rarity. The Sir Edward Waldegrave, to whom the Order is addressed, had been attached to the Princess Mary's household, and was committed to the Fleet Prison in 1551 for refusing to enforce the order of the Privy Council by preventing the celebration of Mass at Mary's residence. On Mary's accession he was highly favoured, made a Privy Councillor and Master of the Great Wardrobe. During the reign he received large grants of land and various honours, but after the Queen's death was deprived of his employments, and shortly afterwards sent to the Tower, where he

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died in 1561. Thomas Thirlby, who countersigned the document, holds the unique honour of having been Bishop of Westminster, appointed to that new bishopric by Henry VIII in 1540. In 1550 he was made Bishop of Norwich. He was a strong opponent of Protestant innovations, and was made, by Mary, Bishop of Ely in 1554. Refusing to take the oath of supremacy to Elizabeth he was deposed, and for preaching against the Reformed religion was imprisoned.

208 MARY (Queen of Scotland and of François II) Document issued by her Authority, 1 p. 4to, dated 30 *March*, 1558

*** This document, which commences "Marie by the grace of God Queene of Scottes," bears the Queene's small seal, and is countersigned by J. Nicholson of Edinburgh. It relates to a dispute between James Douglas, Earl of Morton (afterwards Regent of Scotland), and others relative to certain lands in Peebles. Excessively rare, the seal is a little defective.

209 MATTHIEU (Pierre) Historian and Poet, author of a Tragedy upon the assassination of the Duke of Guise, Historiographer to Henri IV, Signed Receipt, 1 p. 4to, dated 30*th Oct.* 1614, to the Treasurer of the King's *Epargne* for 2700 livres in payment of three quarters of his salary for the year 1614, at the rate of 3,600 per annum

210 MÉZERAY (Eudes de) Author of *Histoire de France jusqu'à Louis XIII*, A. L. s. (1660) to P. d'Hozier, the Historian, in reference to one of the French Royal pageants

*** Mézeray wrote one of the best histories of Catherine de Medicis and her three Sons.

211 MONTLUC (Jean de) Bishop of Valence, and Ambassador in Scotland during the Regency of Marie of Guise. A long and very important L. s. 2 pp. folio, *Rome*, 15 *March*, 1540, with eight lines in his autograph, to the Constable of France (Anne de Montmorency), rendering an account of his negotiations with the Pope (Paul III)

212 MONTMORENCY (Anne, Duc de) Constable of France, Letter signed and Autograph Inscription to the Bishop of Auxerre (François Dinteville), Ambassador to Pope Clement VII, 1 p. folio, dated *Abbeville*, 1*st January*, 1533, begging him to hurry the expedition of the Bull appointing his friend the Bishop of Lisieux to the Bishopric of Evereux. Also that for his Nephew who is two years older than the Son of Monsieur d'Aix, for whom one has been granted. The King of England (Henry VIII) is sending the Bishop of Winchester (Stephen Gardiner) to the King (Francis I)

*** The Constable was an active agent in the disputes between Catherine de Medicis and the Guises.

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213 MONTMORENCY (Henri, Duc de) Constable of France, son of Anne de Montmorency, known as the "Comte de Damville," accompanied Mary Stuart to Scotland in 1561, L. s. 1 p. folio, *Cherbourg, 6th Jan.* 1577, to Monsr. Du Pouet; together with a L. s. from another member of the Montmorency family, dated 6 *Avril*, 1577

*** An interesting account of the Duke will be found in "The Library of Mary Queen of Scots," pp. 105-106.

214 NOAILLES (Gilles de) Ambassador from Charles IX to Scotland, L. s. with autograph superscription, 1 p. folio, dated 22*nd Dec.* 1574, to Catherine de Medicis

*** A splendid letter, and of great rarity.

215 PASQUIER (Etienne) Lawyer, Orator and Author, A. L. s. to Monsieur de Picardet, Councillor to the King in his Council of State and Privy Council, and his General Procurator in Burgundy. A fine Letter of 2 pp. folio, containing legal advice concerning a case of the sale of an Office upon which Picardet has consulted him

*** Pasquier's "Les Recherches de la France," 1596, contains one of the best accounts of Catherine de Medicis and her three Sons.

216 PERRENOT (Antoine, Count de Granvelle) Archbishop of Malines, Statesman and Diplomatist, Minister of Charles V and Philip II, Letter subscribed and signed, 2 pp. folio, dated *Brussels*, 17 *Feb.* 1549, to Senor Antonio Fuchar. Letter of condolence on the death of his daughter, and religious consolations and admonitions

*** An interesting account of this Prelate's great influence at the French Court will be found in Philippson's "Histoire du Règne de Marie Stuart."

217 PHILIP II (of Spain) son-in-law of Catherine de Medicis, Doc. s. 1 p. folio, *Monçon, 5th Nov.* 1547

*** Signed as Prince, before the abdication of Charles V.

218 PIBRAC (Guy du Faur, Seigneur de) Poet and Statesman, at this time attached to the Court of Margaret de Valois, Queen of Navarre, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, dated 3 *July*, 1578, to Henri III. A splendid letter concerning the refusal of Henry of Navarre to re-establish the Catholic religion in Bearn, and news of the King's illness

*** Pibrac was one of the most famous French Poets during the reign of François II, Charles IX and Henri III. Autograph letters are of the greatest rarity.

219 ROBERTET (Florimond), Secretary of State to Francis II, A. L. s. dated *Fontainebleau, 28th July*, 1560, to Sebastien de l'Aubéspine, Bishop of Limoges, Ambassador to the King of Spain; a remarkably important letter relative to the famous

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"Treaty of Edinburgh," which had been signed twenty-two days previously:

[Translation] We have come to an Agreement as you may see but *tam iniquis conditionibus* that it grieves one to the heart to see it. It was necessary to get out of such an evil pass somehow, and save four thousand of the bravest men in the world who were doomed, and there was no other way to help them and rescue them from the peril they were in, it was no small thing to snatch them from the jaws of the wolf. As to the rest you will have news in a few days, which cannot be sent to you at present but must be deferred until the arrival of MM. Labrosse, d'Amiens, de Valence, and de Rendan, who are coming by way of England and will be here in a few days, to tell all that is weighing on our hearts. It was the Cardinal's (of Lorraine) wish that the Articles of the Treaty with England should be in cipher so that, in case of any accident, they should not be seen, for they want to pretend to know nothing about them, except in a general way. . . . You have such good sense and judgment, Monsieur, and know so well what the evil is, that I am sure you will find what the King (François II) has told you of his resolve very holy and good, and very wisely advised. In the circumstances he is resolved, if he does not soon see the Council in progress, to call the Assembly of good men, and he has written to them to reform the abuses in the church, and to try by good and wise means to save his Kingdom. . . . Moreover, Monsieur, I have promised the young Queen (Mary Queen of Scots) a pair of blue silk stockings and a pair of carnation. You are the best person I could possibly find to procure them for me. I beg you, Monsieur, to do me the favour to tell one of your servants to get a pair of turquoise blue made for me in some Convent, and let the colour be very fast, and let them be rather long, and another pair of carnation, made of the beautiful silks that come from Granada, and please let him get them made by the very best workwomen, and I will not fail to give him who brings them to me whatever he has bargained for them, and what they have cost. . . . As to your own affairs I can but say that you have only your own people to blame if you have got nothing; for I told them more than a month ago to find some special credit of about four or five thousand francs and I would ask for it to be given to help you to bear the heavy expenses which you are forced to incur. I have explained this so well to the Queen-Mother (Catherine de Medicis) that she knows it as well as I do, and I can assure you is marvellously well disposed to do you a good turn when any good thing presents itself, and you may depend upon me for a certainty, for I shall know of it, and have some power. Only write to me how I should seek, whether for a benefice or a special grant. . . . etc.

*** This letter was among the papers of Sebastien de l'Aubéspine which Louis Paris, librarian and archivist of Rheims, rescued from the garrets of the Château de Villebon. The letter is of great historical interest, showing the bitter feelings of the French at the terms of the "Treaty of Edinburgh," and there is a quaint passage in which the serious statesman begs the Reverend Bishop to order for him two pairs of silk stockings, one pair blue and one red, which he has promised the young queen, Mary Stuart. The letter is accompanied by four pages of historical notes.

220 ROHAN (François de) Sieur de Gié, Cup-bearer (*Echanson*) to François I, Diplomatist, L. s. with 7 lines autograph, to the Cardinal de Guise, dated *Rome*, 3 *June* (1548), at this date Ambassador from Henri II to Pope Paul III; reports con-

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cerning his business with the Pope: he has done what he could, not what he wished; begs the Cardinal to urge the King (Henri II) to bring the negotiations to a speedy close, and the Cardinal, having laid the first foundation thereof, will participate in the honour; refers him for further information to his letter to the King and to the Bishop of Imola, who leaves that day to go to the King:

[Translation] Monseigneur, if I write too freely to the King and it should be disapproved I beg you to excuse me, for I only do so to make him understand the truth in all things, but if it is taken in ill part I will soon learn to speak a different language: I will do whatever you command me therein.

221 SARDINI (Scipione) Financier and Patron of Arts and Letters, who came from Italy to France with Catherine de Medicis, and whose magnificent hotel still stands in the Faubourg St. Marcel, signed Receipt, dated 3 *Sep.* 1574, with two lines autograph, for the sum of 2473 livres, part payment of a sum of 50,000 livres which he had lent to the King (Henri III); he married Isabelle de Limeuil

222 SIXTUS V (Pope in 1585) Felix Peretti, excommunicated both Queen Elizabeth and Henri IV of France, supported the Spanish Armada, Two Doc. s. by him "Fiat" and "Sixtus pp V," both are dated 1588, *very rare*

223 TYARD (Pontus de) Poet, member of Ronsard's famous *Pleiade*, L. s. with autograph superscription, 1 p. folio, *Braigny*, 19 *May*, 1604, to La Vallée, requesting him to pay a sum of money to the Principal of the College of Chalon; with the Principal's autograph receipt signed beneath

*** This is an excessively rare autograph. Mary Stuart's patronage of Tyard is recorded in "The Library of Mary Queen of Scots," pp. 76-77.

224 VALETTE (Jean Pariscot de la) Grand Master of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, celebrated for his defence of Malta against the Turks at the famous siege of 1565, and for founding the city of Valetta, "built by gentlemen for gentlemen," which bears his name, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, dated *Malta*, 3 *Nov.* 1567, to the Duc d'Anjou (Henri III), concerning a rumour that the Turks mean to besiege them again, and asking him to obtain them reinforcements from their Majesties (Charles IX and Catherine de Medicis)

225 STEPHENS (Henry) Ane Meruellous Discours upon the Lyfe, Deides, and Behaviours of Quene Mother; wherein are displayed the meanes which sche hath practised to atteyne unto the usurping of the Kingdome of France, and to the bringing of the state of the same unto utter ruyne, *calf extra (with crest on the binding), by Lewis*

18*mo.* *Imprinted at Paris*, 1576

*** Colonel Stanley's copy of this very rare book. This work,

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which has been mistakenly called "a Satyre," is from beginning to end a series of most abusive attacks upon Catherine de Medicis, under the pretext of historical narration. The anonymous author writes in the character of a Frenchman, and it is known to have been the work of Henry Stephens. John Payne Collier, in his "Rarest Books in the English Language," gives an account of this volume. Notwithstanding the Paris imprint it was probably published in Scotland.

226 An Oration made by Master Theodore de Beze Whereunto is added a brief declaration exhibited by the sayde Beze, to the Quene Mother (Catherine de Medicis), the next morowe after the makyng of the sayd Oration, touchyng certain poyntes conteyned in the same

8*vo.* *London, Richard Jugge,* 1561

*** At the request of the French protestants, Beza was sent as a delegate from Geneva to bring about the conversion of the King of Navarre, Antoine de Bourbon. On the succession of Charles IX, then only ten years old, a proclamation was issued inviting the protestant ministers (Calvin, Beza, and others) to the assembly at Poissy, and on September 9th, 1561, it met with great splendour. The King and the Queen Mother were present with the rest of the Royal Family, the Princes of the Blood, and the members of the Council of State. Beza's speech was the most important of the day and made a great impression. It was answered on Sept. 16th by Cardinal Guise, who implored the King to remain faithful to the religion of his ancestors. The present excessively rare tract is in the British Museum, but there is no copy in the Bodleian library or the Cambridge University library.

227 CATHERINE DE MEDICIS. A Volume containing a splendid and complete Series of Fifty-two Engraved Portraits of the Queen, many are contemporary impressions; the first represents the Queen Mother seated with the King, her son, Charles IX, at the Assembly of the Three Estates, held at Orleans in January, 1561, engraved by Jacques Tortorell. dated 1570; the second portrait shows the Queen at the death-bed of her husband (Henri II), entitled "La Mort du Roy Henry deuxieme aux tournelles à Paris, le X Juillet, 1559"; all the Royal Family are assembled at the King's bedside and the Dauphin and Dauphiness (Mary Queen of Scots) are present; the next portrays the Tournament scene in which Henri II received his death-wound from the Sieur de Lorges (later Comte de Montgomery), and at which tournament the Queen of Scots was present; this plate was engraved about 1569 by Tortorell, *folio, red morocco extra*

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228 MARIE DE MÉDICIS (Queen of Henri IV) A remarkably complete Collection of Fifty-four engraved Portraits of this Queen; the majority are brilliant impressions by contemporary artists and depict the Queen at all periods of her career. They are by such famous engravers as T. de Leu, Gualtier, Granthome, Sadeler, Moncornet, etc., *red morocco extra* *folio*

*** The companion collection to that of Catherine de Médicis. The portraits date from 1600 (the year of her marriage to Henri) onwards.

229 BARLAEUS (Gaspar) Marie de Médicis entrant dans Amsterdam; ou, Histoire de la Reception faicte à la Reyne Mère du Roy très-Chrestien, par les Bourgmaistres & Bourgeoise de la Ville d'Amsterdam, *portrait of Marie de Médicis and numerous folding and other allegorical plates, nearly all containing portraits of Marie de Médicis, red morocco extra folio.* 1638

*** A UNIQUE VOLUME. It is extra-illustrated by the insertion of Twenty-five A. L. s., Letters s. and Docs. s. of Marie de Médicis, Louis XIII, Gaston d'Orléans (brother of Louis XIII) and his wife Marguerite de Lorraine; covering no less than 139 pages 4to and folio, and dating from 1612. Including a most remarkable series of documents, signed by Marie de Médicis, entirely relative to her private property, all of which are countersigned by Nicolas Potier, Seigneur de Blancmesnil (the Queen's Chancellor), and other members of the Queen's Council.

230 THE MÉDICIS. An important Series of Ninety-two Letters from members of this noble family, including: Alphonsina, wife of Petrus II, two Docs. one signed, 6 pp. folio, 1506, 1517; Guido, nephew of Clement VII, L. s. 1 p. folio, 1526; Armellinus, Camerarius to Clement VII, Doc. s. 1526; Ippolito (Cardinal), nephew of Leo X, cousin of Clement VII, Doc. s. 1534; Bernardetto, husband of Giulia, daughter of Alexandre, L. s. 1556; Cosimo I, first Grand Duke of Tuscany, "The Great," ten L. s. and one Doc. s. 20 pp. folio, 1537-1560; Ferdinand (Cardinal), son of Cosimo I, Doc. s. on vellum, folio, 1582; Don Giovanni, son (bastard) of Cosimo I and Eleonora degli Albizzi, L. s. 1597; Alexander (became Leo XI in 1605), A. L. s. 4to, 25 *November*, 1584; Johanna of Tuscany, A. L. s. folio, 1572; François, second Grand Duke of Tuscany, married Bianca Capella, father of Marie de Médicis, five L. s. 5 pp. folio, 1565-1575, addressed to Cardinal Alessandrino, the Papal Legate, the Duc d'Anjou (later Henri III), with autograph superscription, etc.; Raffaelle, L. s. folio, 3 *Sept.* 1586; Horatio, L. s. 2 pp. folio, 1612; Ferdinand I, third Grand Duke of Tuscany, two L. s. 2 pp. folio, 1597, 1601; Christine de Lorraine, wife of Ferdinand I (de Médicis), Holograph Letter signed, folio, 1604, to Bentivoglio, and two L. s. 3 pp. folio, 1604, 1610, to Marie de Médicis, etc.; Laurent (Prince) son of Fer-

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dinand I, six L. s. 6 pp. folio, 1617-1644 ; Charles (Cardinal) son of Ferdinand I, L. s. 4to, *Florence*, 1616 ; Pietro, son of Ferdinand I, L. s. folio, 1634 ; Maria Gabriella, daughter of Ferdinand I, Holograph Letter signed, folio, 1638 ; Leopold (Prince), L. s. folio, *Sienna*, *December*, 1638, to the Duc d'Urbino ; Don Ottaviano, son of Alexander, L. s. 1606 ; Giulio, Ambassador of Spain, L. s. 1616 ; Margherita, Duchess of Parma, L. s. folio, 1626 ; Claudia, L. s. folio, 1648 ; Margaritha, Duchess of Parma, L. s. 1655 ; Anna, Holograph Letter signed, 1657 ; Cosimo II, fourth Grand Duke of Tuscany, Doc. s. 4to, 1610 ; Marie Madeleine d'Autriche, wife of Cosimo II, Doc. s. 4to, 1620 ; Mathias, son of Cosimo II, four L. s. 4 pp. folio and 4to, 1637-57 ; Leopold (Cardinal) son of Cosimo II, Holograph Letter signed and two Letters signed, 6 pp. folio, 1632-68 ; John (Cardinal) son of Cosimo II, Holograph Letter signed and two Letters signed, 3 pp. 4to and folio, 1614-48 ; Anna, daughter of Cosimo II, L. s. folio, 1667 ; Ferdinand II, fifth Grand Duke of Tuscany, five L. s. 5 pp. 4to, 1634-95 ; Vittoria della Rovere, wife of Ferdinand II, L. s. 4to, 1677 ; Francesco, brother of Ferdinand II, Holograph Letter signed, 2 pp. folio, 1655, 1686 ; Cosimo III, sixth Grand Duke of Tuscany, two Holograph Letters signed, five Letters signed and a Document, 9 pp. folio and 4to, 1668-1737 ; Ferdinand, Prince of Tuscany, son of Cosimo III, two L. s. with five lines auto. 1707, 1708 ; Yolande Beatrice de Baviere, Princess of Tuscany, wife of Ferdinand, five L. s. 6 pp. folio, 1717-1788 ; John Gaston, seventh and last Grand Duke of Tuscany, son of Cosimo III, three L. s. with autograph superscription, 3 pp. folio, 1695-1701 ; Anne Marie, wife of John Gaston, two L. s. 2 pp. folio, 1723-29

*** This is possibly the most complete collection of the autographs of the members of the Médicis family that has occurred for sale. It contains, *inter alia*, a complete set of the autographs of the Grand Dukes of Tuscany.

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THE NAPIER PAPERS.

Letters and Documents, Royal, Official, Historical and Private, relating to that ancient and illustrious Scottish family, the NAPIERS OF MERCHISTON AND ETTRICK, 1456-1857.

I. ROYAL, OFFICIAL AND HISTORICAL.

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231 JAMES II OF SCOTLAND. Doc. s. 1 p. oblong 4to, Discharge under the Privy Seal to Alex. Napier of Merchiston of his Accompt as Comptroller of the Household, *Edinburgh*, 24 *Oct.* 20*th year* (1456)

232 JAMES III OF SCOTLAND. Doc. s. 1 p. oblong 4to, similar discharge to Alex. Napier, *Stirling*, 7 *July*, 1461, *seal*

233 JAMES III. Doc. 1 p. oblong 4to, Appointment of A. Napier and others as Searchers of the port of Leith to prevent the exportation of gold and silver, *Edinburgh*, 24 *Feb.* 4*th year* (1464)

234 JAMES III. Doc. s. (twice) 3 pp. folio, Secret Instructions for Sir A. Napier on a special embassy to the Duke of Burgundy (*May*, 1473)

*** THIS IMPORTANT DOCUMENT deprecates the proposed prolongation of the truce with Edward IV, than whom "the King has nane uthir Prince that makes war upon him," and asks the Duke to support the King of Scotland's claim to the Duchy of Gelril (Gueldres)

235 JAMES III. Doc. 1 p., Letters of Protection, under the Privy Seal, to Sir A. Napier ordered beyond seas on the King's service, *Edinburgh*, 1 *May*, 1473

236 JAMES III. Doc. s. 1 p., Discharge to Sir A. Napier from payment "for the composition of the parte of the Erldome of Levenax (Lenox) perteyning to John his son by reason of his wife Elizabeth (Lauder) part inheritor of the same," 24 *Oct.* 1473

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237 JAMES III. (I) Letter, under the King's signet, 1 p. oblong folio, to David Kay, Official Principal of St. Andrews, ordering him not to proceed in a suit between J. Napier and Lady Craigmillar respecting some silver heirlooms, *5th June, 14th year* (1474); (II) Order, under the King's signet, 1 p. oblong folio, to the Sheriff of Edinburgh to distrain the goods of John Napier, a burgess, for debt, 15 *June*, *14th year*, 1474

238 JAMES III. Doc. s. 1 p. oblong folio, Order under "our signet of y^e^ unicorn," to the Provost of Edinburgh, 9 *May* (*without year*), *damaged*

239 JAMES III. Order s. 1 p. oblong folio, under the King's signet, to the Steward of Menteith, to defend J. Napier in possession of a "barn and byre" at Rusky, from which John of Haldane and James Haldane had ejected him, 1 *Oct.* 22*nd year* (1481)

240 JAMES IV of Scotland. Four Original Documents, *viz.*: (I) Order to the Sheriffs of Stirling and Dumbarton concerning the Earldom of Lenox, 12 *July*, 1*st year* (1488); (II) Order to the Sheriff of Ayr concerning lands in Ingliston and Ananstone, 7 *Feb.* 1*st year* (1489); (III) Order to the Sheriffs of Stirling and Dumbarton to confirm Elizabeth (Napier) Lady of Rusky in her share of the Earldom of Lenox, 14 *June*, 1*st year* (1489); (IV) The Petition of Lady Napier on her claims to the same

241 JAMES V of Scotland. Two Doc. s. each 1 p. oblong folio (*one damaged*), *viz.*: Safe-conducts to Alex. Napier travelling to France, 1534-5, *sealed with privy seal*

242 JAMES V. Two Doc. s. (I) Licence to A. Napier to extend his stay in France as he is stricken "by the hand of God and fallin in y^e^ feveris," *Edinburgh*, 28 *July*, 24*th year* (1537); (II) Order to the same to return to Scotland "for the treting and concluding vponn grete materis" in Parliament, *Edinburgh*, 1 *Aug.* 25*th year* (1538)

243 MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS. (I) Doc. 3 pp. large folio, Warrant to the Sheriffs of Edinburgh to summon Patrick, Bp. of Moray and Maister Henry Lauder to answer A. Napier concerning the sale of his "grete mansion" in Edinburgh to Andrew, sometime Bp. of Moray, *Edinb.* 16 *Oct.* 1*st year* (1543), *sealed with the queen's privy seal*; (II) Act of the Council continuing the above summons to 13th May next, 9 *May*, 1547, in the autograph of James Foulis, registrar

244 MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS. Licence to A. Napier on the advice of James, Earl of Arran, Protector, to travel into France, sealed with the Queen's Privy Seal and signed "James G." (James Hamilton, Earl of Arran, Governor of Scotland), *Edinburgh*, 2*nd year* (1544)

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245 MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS. Grant, under the Privy Seal, to D. Napier, of the escheat of goods in Rusky which had accrued to the Crown, *Edinburgh*, 22 *October*, 1558

246 MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS and FRANCIS II OF FRANCE. Order under their signet to the Sheriffs "of that part," concerning lands at Blairnavadir, Easter and Wester, *Edinburgh*, 9 *May*, 1*st and* 17*th year* (1559)

247 MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS. Doc. s. and sealed, viz. Letters revoking a "Commission of Justiciary" appointed by the Queen Mother (Mary of Guise) to sundry persons "quhilkis commissions we understand are prejudiciall to the office and commission of our" Justice General, Archibald Earl of Argyll, the revocation to be proclaimed at the Market Cross of Edinburgh and elsewhere, *Edinburgh*, 10 *Jan.* 19*th year* (1561)

248 JAMES VI. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Letter to his Justices, countersigned by Lords Montrose and Mortoun, *Perth*, 21 *July*, 1582

249 JAMES I OF ENGLAND. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Order to Sir A. Napier, *Theobalds*, 9 *Apr.* 1624. *Seal*

250 JAMES I. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Order to the same, *Royston*, 7 *Oct.* 1624. *Seal*

251 ANGLO-SCOTCH WAR, 1639-40. Original Letter of Scottish noblemen, etc. to lenders of money on the "absolut necessite of present moneys for the suply of the good cause and preventing of the disbanding of our armies," *Edinburgh*, 18 *May* (1639 *or* 40), signed by Lords Rothes, Mar, Montrose, Cassilis, Montgomerie, Loudoun, and others, *an important historical document*

252 MONTROSE (James Graham Marquis of) "A Declaration of the right Honble James, Marq. of Montrose," asserting in His Majesty's name and authority that the king's intention in Scotland is only for the defence of the true Protestant religion, and his Majesty's just and sacred authority," etc. 1644. Copy, 1 p. folio

253 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Defence of his proceedings and policy from the time of his leaving the covenanters after his victory at Kilsyth (15 *Aug.* 1645), in Lord Napier's hand-writing (*Aug.-Sept.* 1645), 7 pp. 4to

254 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Copy of his instructions to Lord Ogilvie on going to the King to report on the King's service in Scotland, undated, written on the fly-leaf of an autograph (signed) letter from Ferdinando Lord Fairfax to (Alexander Leslie, Earl of Leven): "I have herein enclosed some papers found about the Lord Ogilvy, they are the copies of them, the originals I keep for some safe hand," *York*, 15 *Aug.* 1644, 3 pp. folio

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255 CHARLES I. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, to the Scottish Council, concerning "certain old ruinous houses in the precinct of the Abbey of Holyroodhouse," *Whitehall*, 11 *July*, 1628

256 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Doc. s. 1 p. An undertaking in advancement of the marriage of his sister, Lady Beatrice Graham, to settle on her 20,000 marks, *Auld Montrois*, 27 *Mar.* 1639

257 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Doc. s. 1 p. Order for the Maister of Napier and Col. Gordon to go with 500 horsemen and 500 dragoons to Linlithgow to announce a meeting of Parliament, from "Our Leager at Bothwell," 20 *Aug.* 1645

258 CHARLES I. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Order to Lord Napier to prepare for holding parliament in Scotland, *Whitehall*, 20 *May*, 1641

259 CHARLES II. Doc. s. 1 p. 4to, Letter to Lord Napier, *Breda*, 15 *Apr.* 1650

260 CHARLES II. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Order to the Earl of Middleton, 1660

261 CHARLES II. Doc. s. (and initialled) 1 p. folio, Instructions to J. Brisbane for an embassy to Flanders, 25 *Feb.* 167$\frac{5}{6}$, countersigned by Henry Coventry, Secretary of State

262 CHARLES II. Two Doc. 1 p. folio—(I) Letters of Credence to J. Brisbane going to France, 14 *Sept.* 1676; (II) Letter to the Governer of Bruges, 15 *Feb.* 167$\frac{7}{8}$

263 CHARLES I. Two Doc. 1 p. 4to, Orders—(I) to the Privy Council, 13 *Oct.* 1628; and (II) to the Scottish Council, 2 *Apr.* 1629

264 VICTORIA. Original Instructions to Lord Napier as Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to the United States of America, *Windsor Castle*, 21 *Jan.* 1857, *signed and sealed*, 15 pp. folio

*** Among other duties he is to "procure the most accurate description possible of the present state of all the fortifications in the United States; of the Forces, both Naval and Military, of the United States; and of the means which the Government may possess for augmenting the same"

II. MISCELLANEOUS NAPIER DOCUMENTS.

265 NAPIER (Sir Alexander, second of Merchiston) d. 1473. Four original Documents relating to his affairs and possessions at Merchiston and Leith, the two last referring to loans contracted by him at Bruges in Flanders in 1472; 1456-1472

266 NAPIER (John, of Rusky) d. 1488. Five original Documents concerning law-suits connected with his money affairs; the third document is signed by David, Prior of Inchiquin, and the last by Margaret Fleming, widow of Sir William Douglas, 1476-1484

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267 NAPIER (Archibald, fourth of Merchiston) d. 1522. Two Bonds, the first signed by him, relating to tenancies of his lands at Merchiston, the second document being a discharge (signed) by John Crawford, Chaplain at St. Katherine's Altar in St. Giles, Edinburgh, for his salary, 26 *Jan.* 1502

268 NAPIER (Alexander) Five original Documents relating to law-suits concerning lands, etc. at Edinburgh, etc. 1535-45 ; the third document is an order by the official of Lothian for the excommunication of A. Napier and his wife before the people, in time of mass, for disobedience to a decree pronounced against him, 5 *Apr.* 1542

269 Four Inventories of Goods and Debts, with the Wills of— (I) Katherine Douglas, wife of Archibald Napier, 16 *Feb.* 1498 ; (II) Elizabeth Creighton, wife of Archibald Napier, 2 *Mar.* 1511 ; (III) Alexander Napier, 1535 ; and (IV) Alexander Napier, *October*, 1545

270 NAPIER (Archibald, seventh of Merchiston) Master of the Scottish Mint, d. 1608. Two Documents relating to, viz.— (I) Attestation concerning the disposal of his lands to his son John, 10 *Feb.* 1586 ; and (II) Testament and Inventory of the Goods of Jane Bothwell, wife of the above, 14 *Dec.* 1560

271 NAPIER or NEPER (John, "Fear" of Merchiston) the inventor of Logarithms, d. 1617. Doc. s. 1 p. long folio, Bond, with Christian Stirling, his wife, to John Robertsoun, 6 *Jan.* 1599

272 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Doc s. 1 p. long folio, Assignment of property in Edenbillie, *Apr.* 1584, etc.

273 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Sale to Thomas Buchanan of lands in the "Dukerie" of Lenox, 1 *Apr.* 1590

274 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Contract with Robert Logane of Restalrig to search "be al crafte and ingyne" for some treasure reported hidden at the latter's house at Falscastle, *July*, 1594

275 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Conveyance of Merchiston lands to his eldest son Archibald, 18 *July*, 1597

276 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Doc. s. 1 p. large folio, Disposition of an annuity to his son Alexander, 13 *Apr.* 1610

277 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Tack of the lands of Rosyth to James Stewart and Margaret Napier his wife, 7 *Nov.* 1613

278 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Four original Documents relating to the Merchiston property (three of them signed by him as witness), 1595-1613, the fourth is a Contract by Anna Chisholm his widow, to crop the land and use the house at Merchiston, 1617

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279 NAPIER (Archibald, first Lord Napier) Treasurer-Depute of Scotland, d. 1645. Six original Documents concerning his affairs, including a Privy Council Letter, signed by James Primrois; Deed signed by Robert (Maxwell) Earl of Nithisdale, etc.; Bond for money received from Lord Napier, "whilst a prisoner by order of the Covenanters," signed by Lords Loudoun, Lauderdale, and others, 1625-45

280 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Instructions to Lord Napier and Lord Durie to summon the Marquis of Hamilton from the fleet to attend the king for mediation with the Covenanters, 31 *May*, 1639, signed by Lord Balmerino and others

281 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Agreement between Lord Balmerino, J. Hepburn, etc. to raise moneys for urgent expenses, 11 *Feb.* 1640, eight signatures

282 MONTROSE (James Graham, Marquis of) Doc. 6 pp. folio, Reflections and resolutions by Lord Montrose, Lord Napier, Sir G. Stirling, and others, on the troubles of Scotland and their remedy, 23 *June*, 1641, *an important document*

283 NAPIER (Archibald) second Lord Napier (d. 1658) Two original Documents, viz. (I) Declaration by the Committee of Estates condoning his "accidentall meeting with the late Earle of Montrose, his uncle, abroad," 23 *Oct.* 1646, 1 p. 4to; (II) "A Breef Narative concerning Generall Lord Middleton's conditione, actions and resolutions, from *Brunt Iland*, *Feb.* 5, 1655," 2 pp. folio

284 NAPIER (Lady) Doc. s. 2 pp. folio, Warrant by the Scottish Council to the Trustees for the estates of excepted persons in Scotland, for payment of certain sums to her, *Edinburgh*, 1658, signed by George Monck, James Disbrowe, and others

285 NAPIER (Archibald) second Lord Napier, Doc. s. 1 p. oblong 4to, acknowledgment by him and Lilias Napier, his sister, of the loan of 4,000 marks, *Schiedam*, $\frac{7}{17}$ *Oct.* 1652, signed by both, and by Dr. George Wishart and others as witnesses, with two small seals in red wax, that of Lilias Napier being a six-petalled flower

286 NAPIER (Archibald) third Lord Napier (d. 1683), Doc. s. 1 p. large folio, Declaration by the Lords of the Council concerning the ship "Prymrose" seized by a French privateer, 12 *Dec.* 1676, signed by the Earls of Rothes, Chancellor, Argyll, Linlithgow, and Airlie, Lord Drummond, Sir James Dalrymple, Sir Charles Maitland, and others

287 NAPIER (Lady) Doc. s. 1 p. folio, Declaration by certain Lords of Session and others, curators of Lord Napier, of the taking from the lodgings of the late Lady Napier, four charters or documents relating to the estate, 12 *Apl.* 1684, signed by the Earls of Mar and Linlithgow, Lord Livingstoune, Dr. M. Brisbane, and others

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288 NAPIER (Archibald) second Lord Napier (d. 1658), Three original Documents relating to the settlement of his estate between his widow Eliz. Areskine, Archibald (his son) and Lilias Napier (his sister), 1665-1676; and one Document relating to the division of the Barony of Rusky, etc., about 1690

289 BOTHWELL (Adam) Commendator of Holyrood House, Bishop of Orkney (married, in 1567, Mary Queen of Scots to James Hepburne, Earl of Bothwell), Seven original signed Letters to Jeane Bothwell (wife of Sir Archibald Napier), his sister, and one to his brother-in-law, the Laird of Merchiston, all on domestic and family matters, 1560; and one signed Document by the same relating to the tithes of Merchiston, 23 *Dec.* 1571, with an attested copy of the same

290 BOTHWELL (Francis) Two original signed Letters to his aunt Jeane Bothwell, Lady Merchiston, on family and general subjects, 25 *Aprl.*–28 *Aug.* 1561, 2 pp. and 1 p. folio.—Two Letters from James Alexander, servant to the Bishop of Orkney, to the Laird and Lady of Merchiston, *April*, 1561, each 1 p. folio (4)

291 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Inventor of Logarithms. An original joint Letter, 1 p. folio, from him and Sir Archibald Napier to their "Sonnes," on the murder of Archibald Napier, 30 *Nov.* 1600, signed by both; with a Draft of another letter, not signed but perhaps in the handwriting of John Napier, on the same subject, 2 pp. folio

292 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Holograph signed Letter to his father, on some land disputes at Ogilgvith, "At ye Keir." 20 *Aug.* (1608)

293 NAPIER or NEPER (John) Holograph signed Letter to his son Archibald, on a family dispute concerning the Merchiston estate, 2 *Sept.* 1608, 1 p. folio

294 NAPIER (Alexander) Two original signed Letters to his brother Archibald on family matters and disputes, 1600-1608, 3 pp. folio and 2 pp. folio

295 NAPIER (Archibald) first Lord Napier, Letters to King Charles I: (I) pleading for his Majesty's favour, *London*, 1 *July*, 1629, holograph, 1 p. folio; (II) giving particulars of his "tack" of Orkney (1630), 2 pp. folio; (III) a series of proposals for the furtherance of his Majesty's service (1630), 2 pp. folio; (IV) Draft of letter on the preparations made by the Earl of Mar for his Majesty's coming to Scotland (1630), 1 p. folio; (V) a Letter, unsigned, to the King, with "axioms," on the troubles in Scotland, about 1640, *damaged*, 3 pp. folio.

296 NAPIER (Archibald) first Lord Napier, three Letters, first two holograph, viz. (I) concerning the security due to Lord Mar for the King's entertainment in Scotland, 16 *July*, 1629,

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1 p. folio; (II) to the Earl of Morton as to moneys due to him, 17 *Nov.* 1630, 1 p. folio; (III) to Lord Ba———, complaining of the treatment given to him, 3 ***June*** (1640), copy, 1 p. folio

297 NAPIER (Archibald) first Lord Napier, Draft of a Letter to James Galloway on study and accomplishments (1610), 1 p. folio.—JAMES GALLOWAY to "Mr. Napeir, gentleman of his M. privie chamber," on the same subject, and also on the execution of the Earl of Somerset (1610), 6 pp. folio

298 NAPIER FAMILY. Five original signed Letters, viz. (I) W. Alexander to Lord Napier, requesting him to repair to Court, *Beaulie*, 13 *Aug.* (1627), 1 p. folio; (II) Sir Alexander (?) Campbell to Lord Napier, informing him of certain accusations made against the latter to the King, etc. 18 *Nov.* 1628, 2 pp. folio; (III-IV) two Letters from Robert Napier to his brother Lord Napier, 17–18 *Feb.* 1629, each 1 p. folio; and (V) one from the same to his nephew, 31 ***May***, 1646, 2 pp. folio

299 Napier (Archibald) second Lord Napier, a most interesting Holograph Letter to his wife Elizabeth Erskine, giving her an account of Montrose's proceedings on the Continent etc. *Bruxelles*, 14 ***June***, 1648, 4 pp. folio

300 MONTAGU (Edward) Earl of Sandwich, Admiral of the Narrow Seas, etc. Doc. s. 1 p. folio, an Order to Mayors, Bailiffs, etc. in favour of "Mr. Brisbane" travelling to London, "on board the Prince at Sea," 17 ***July***, 1665

301 SPRAGGE (Sir Edward, Admiral) Warrant to John Brisbane to go ashore at Angier to treat upon articles of peace, 24 *Nov.* 1671, *signed and sealed*, 1 p. folio

302 WISHART (George, D.D.) Bishop of Edinburgh, Holograph Letter to Lord Napier at Hamburg, congratulating him on his negotiations there, and discussing the affairs of the Prince of Orange, etc. *Schiedame*, 1 *Jan.* 1650, 2 pp. 4to

303 SWEDEN. A Holograph Letter from Archibald, third Lord Napier, to the Swedish Ambassador at Paris, offering to raise troops "en qualitee de colonel" for the service of the King of Sweden, *London*, 28 *Oct.* 1674, 1 p. 4to

304 BRISBANE FAMILY. Holograph Letter from J. Brisbane, of Bischopstoune, to his cousin —— Brisbane of the Navy, on private matters, 10 *Jan.* 1675, 1 p. folio.—Holograph Letter from Marie Areskine to John Brisbane, Secretary to the Admiralty, on family matters, 28 *Sept.* 1680, 1 p. folio

305 BURNET (Gilbert) afterwards Bishop of Salisbury, Letters (I) to John Brisbane, Secretary of the Admiralty, in favour of an honest Scotchman wishing to become a chaplain at Sea,

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28 *May* (1670), holograph, 1 p. 4to; (II–III) to the same, enclosing a closely-written (signed) Memorandum relating to the Rye House Plot, etc. ***an interesting document, undated*** (the letter 1 p. 8vo, the memo. 3 pp. 8vo); (IV) to Lady Napier, hoping to be able to help her with her claims, *Whitehall*, 25 *Feb.* holograph, 1 p. 4to

Other Properties.

306 CHOLWICH (John) A. L. s. from John Cholddych [*sic*] to his wife Dorothy, on the *verso* of a French vellum deed, dated 1500, the letter is dated "from Amie [?Amiens], the *Xth of October*," *circa* 1520

*** In spite of the way in which he spells his own name, the writer was no doubt a member of the old Devonshire family of Cholwich. The document seems to have been preserved in the family as the cover to family papers, there being an old endorsement on it mentioning the wills of Walter William and Walter Cholwhich. The letter consists of nine long lines and a postscript; it is written in an illiterate hand ("at the makynge of this my Rued lettr"), and relates mostly to money sent by various people. It is addressed "To my wife Dorrithy Cholddyche Dwellynge at Temstrete this with speede." A transcript accompanies the letter.

307 COLBERT (Jean Baptiste) 1619-1683, Statesman and Bibliophile, Holograph memorandum signed "Colbert" to his librarian, Etienne Baluze, 1 p. 4to, dated 9 *Juin*, 1668. Colbert directs his librarian to examine carefully his Registers of Parliament and the history of M. de Tou [*sic*] in regard to certain customs of the Parliament of Paris. Also to investigate the manner in which the Romans carried on naval war on the Mediterranean, the shapes of their ships, etc. Also to make "un petit traicté en abregé" relating to Papal Nuncios, and the recognition of the Pope

308 MARGUERITE DE FRANCE (Queen of Navarre, wife of Henri IV) 1552-1615, L. s. with 9 lines Holograph, 1 p. folio, *n. d.* The letter is addressed "A Monsieur de salviati grand vicaire d'Aux" (Auch, the ancient capital of Gascony). The letter complains that a certain Choisnin is not permitted by the Chapter to enjoy the Canonry to which they had appointed him. Marguerite is very indignant that more attention is not paid to her wishes, and sends Lobene, her Maistre d'hostel, to let them understand what her wishes

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are. She asks the Prior to use his influence. Below the body of the letter the Queen has written with her own hand:

Monsieur salviati ie uous prie uocloir tenir la main a ce que chonin puise iouir de sa chanoinie et croire que ie resentire cete obligation par autres grandes obligation et que ie man reuenchere au tout ce que ian aie iamais le moien. Vre milleure et plus asuree amie Marguerite.

309 MARIA MAGDALENA (of Austria, sister of the Emperor Ferdinand II, married Cosimo III de' Medici in 1608) 1589-1631, L. sub. and s. 1 p. folio, dated *Florence*, 3 *Oct.* 1623. The letter is in Italian, addressed to her brother the Emperor, in regard to the wrongs of certain merchants

310 CROMWELL (Richard) Sign Manual to a document on vellum nominating a rector to the parish of Harlington in Middlesex, dated 23 *Dec.* 1653, signed "Richard P," *the document is badly damaged by damp*

*** With an exceptionally fine impression of Richard's seal, showing his family arms. Richard's seal is very rare, and particularly so in such unusually fine condition.

311 ELIZABETH. Wardrobe Warrant, dated 14 *June* 44 *Elizabeth* (1602), signed "Tho. Kerry," ordering the Payment of £8 2s. to Robert Seall, *on vellum*

Clerk of the check of our Guarde . . . to be by him paid for the imbrodering of red coates with these lres. E. and R. in Venyce goulde, gyuen to the Groomes Pages and others belonging to our Chamber . . . the yeoman and Groome of our Crosbowes, the keeper of our Standing Wardrobe at Richmond . . . Greenwich, the keeper of our Garden and Orchard at Westminster, the keeper of our Garden at Greenewich, our Matmaker, or Locksmith, our Clockekeeper, the keeper of our Stillinghouse at Westminster, being in nomber thirtie sixe persons euery of them rated at foure shillings sixe pence le peece.

312 ESTE (Alexander) brother of Cæsar, Duke of Modena, L. s. "A. Cardls. d'Este," 1 p. folio, dated *Modena*, 24 *Aug.* 1607

*** A very finely preserved letter, the Cardinal's seal, with the paper slip to close the letter, being preserved intact. The letter is addressed to Carlo, Archbishop Elect of Prague, and promises that the Duke's envoy shall attend his consecration, if he is in Prague at the time. Very clear impression of the seal, with the Este arms, and legend round, "Alexander Cardinalis Estensis."

313 ALLIN (Sir Thomas, Admiral) 1612-85, four L. s. 1. To Sir Richard Fanshaw, Ambassador at Madrid, 1 p. folio, 9 *Sept.* 1664. 2. To Sir Richard Fanshaw, 2 pp. folio, from *Cadiz*, 25 *Dec.* 1664. 3. To Sir Richard Fanshaw, ½ p. folio, from *Gibraltar*, 15 *Jan.* 1664-5. 4. Signed copy of a Letter to William Coventry, Esq. 2 pp. folio, from *Gibraltar*, 15 *Jan.* 1664-5

*** Sir Thomas Allin, a native of Lowestoft, adhered to the

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king during the Civil War, taking a prominent part in the privateering between Lowestoft and Yarmouth, the latter of which sided with the Parliament. At a later period he followed the fortunes of Prince Rupert. In 1664 he was sent to command in the Mediterranean, in succession to Sir John Lawson. The second of these letters, dated from Cadiz, 25 Dec. 1664, is a detailed and interesting account of a victory over the Dutch on the 19 Dec. The letter to William Coventry (knighted in 1665, secretary to the Duke of York) gives details of the movements of the fleet 25 Dec. 1664, to 15 Jan. 1664-[5]. Allin defeated the Dutch off the Isle of Wight and the French off Dungeness in 1666. He was engaged against the Barbary pirates, 1668-70, was Comptroller of the Navy 1670-8, and Commander-in-Chief in the Narrow Seas against the French, 1678. Allin is often mentioned by Pepys, whose opinion of him "was not less variable than that which he has given of others."

314 ARABELLA STUART, great-granddaughter of Margaret, Henry VIII's eldest sister; next in succession to the throne of England to James I until the birth of his son, 1575-1615, A. L. s. to her grandmother, the Countess of Shrewsbury ("Bess of Hardwick"), 1 p. 4to, with endorsement, *Feb.* 8, 1587:

Good Lady Grandmother, I have sent yor: Lap: the endes of my heare which were cutt the sixt day of the moone, on Saterday laste; & with them, a pott of Gelly, which my seruante made; I pray God you finde it good. My Aunte Cauendishe was heere on Monday laste, she certified me of yor: Laps: good health and dispositione, which I pray God longe to continue. I am in good health, my cousin Mary hath had three little fittes of an agew, butt now she is well, and mery. Thus with my humble duty vnto yor: Lap: & humble thanckes for the token, you sent me laste, and crauinge your dayly blessinge, I humbly cease. Frome Pims, the. viii. of February, 1587,

Yor: Laps: humble, and obbediente childe
Arbella Steward.

On the back of the blank half-sheet is the address in Arabella's hand:

To the right honorable, my very good Lady, and Grandmother, the Countesse of Shrewsbury.

*** A fine and most beautifully written letter. At the time of writing this letter Arabella Stuart was heir-apparent to the throne of England. This appears to be her earliest extant letter, Elizabeth Cooper, "Life and Letters of Lady Arabella Stuart, i. 99, refers to a letter dated 13 July, 1588, as "the earliest piece of her writing in existence."

315 BACON (Ann, *Lady*) mother of Sir Francis Bacon, 1528-1610, L. s. "Ann ffounteyne," 1 p. 4to, with address on the other leaf, no year, addressed to Lady Bacon, complaining of persecution at the hands of her son. She sends her service "to yor. Lap. yor. good Knight, my La. Knivett & my La. Townshend." On the back is written in Lady Bacon's hand:

I beseech yu. sir Rede this letar and as soone as y maye send it to

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yr mothar that shee wold but wryt a word to mr. fountane it maye be it might stop the seutes.

*** Anne Fountain was probably mother of John Fountain, the Judge, with seal showing three elephants' heads.

316 CREIGHTON (William) Scottish Jesuit and adherent of Mary Queen of Scots, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, to the Monseignor Dandino, Protonotary and Papal Nuncio to the King of France, dated *Lyons, April* 8, 1580:

We will obey your Reverence's orders concerning the copies of the Mohedano. I have asked the bookseller how many of these books he had sent out, and their destination; he replied that he did not know for certain where they had gone, and that he had sent three or four hundred to dealers in Lyons itself, of which some have been sent to Salamanca in Spain, some to the fair at Frankfort in Germany, and some to Naples. He does not know how they can be recovered, but only that the same prohibitions have been issued in the said places upon the authority of His Holiness, as have been issued here upon that of the king. I have not been able to procure the little books of Francesco Pucci, for they are not to be found among the booksellers. I have managed to recover one by means of a friend, the title of which is "Inquiry into the Christian Religion, founded upon Divine and Human Reason, as taught by Nature and Scripture," to which is added "all of which is submitted to the judgment of the universal Church, printed in Florence, 1580." I read part of this to discover the poison, and find neither sap nor great substance in it, and the evil speaking therein against the Roman Church, is a thing common to heretics. I will endeavour to buy as many as I can, but I think few are to be bought, for they were sent secretly to private friends for distribution, and they do not sell them, but keep them as secret as they can. [Translation.]

*** The Dictionary of National Biography inserts the article on this Jesuit under Crichton, giving Creighton and Creilton as variants, the latter is the spelling of this signature to this letter, y being substituted for i.

317 JOSEPHINE (Empress) Doc. s. by her; it is also signed by her daughter, Hortense Eugénie de Beauharnais, Queen of Louis Bonaparte and mother of Napoleon III. This document, which covers 18 pp. folio, was signed by Josephine, at the Imperial Palace, Malmaison, and by Hortense, at her Paris Palace, on March 31st, 1813

*** The two signatures together very rarely occur.

318 NELSON (Lord) A. L. s. (twice) "N. & B." 3 pp. 8vo (*Oct.* 1801), to Lady Hamilton. In this highly important letter Nelson seeks Lady Hamilton's advice as how best to reply to his father's letter asking for Nelson's "general place of residence," in order that he may visit him, etc.:

I think of writing my poor old Father to this effect (*if you wont let me go into the whole of his plan of going to Somerset St.*) that I shall live at Merton with Sir Wm. [Hamilton] & you, that a warm room for him and a cheerful society will always be there happy to receive him, that nothing in *my conduct* could ever cause a separation of a moment between me and him, for that I had all the respect and love which a Son could bear towards a good Father, that going to Burnham was impossible as my duty, even if I was inclined, would

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not permit it, that as to anonymous letters, they made no impression where they did not fit, and that I should ever conduct myself towards him as his dutiful Son.

The most striking part of this letter, however, is in Nelson's postscript.

Tell me, my friend, do you approve? If he remains at Burnham he will die & I am sure he will not stay in that Damn'd Somerset St. Respecting her, if ever he mentions her name to me I shall stop that directly, I shall never go there to see him, pray let him come to your care at Merton, your kindness will keep him alive, for you have a kind soul. *She* has none, but I shall not answer till you write me and return his letters. I do not write as it goes through the Admiralty. Say everything for I am agitated but I am sure of my friend for I am perfection. Ever for Ever your

N. & B.

*** One of the most remarkable of the letters addressed by Nelson to Lady Hamilton. It is only partly published. Somerset Street was Lady Nelson's residence, and the lady referred to in the postscript by inuendoes ("her" and "she") was, of course, Lady Nelson. These references are *unpublished.*

319 LOUIS XIV. L. s. 6 pp. folio, with a long autograph addition of 20 lines in the King's autograph, dated *Marly*, 31 *Juillet*, 1692, to Marshal Catinat, relative to the war in Spain:

Vous avez très bien fait de ne point quitter les hauteurs que vous occupez près de Pignerol et il vaut mieux que les Ennemis bruslent quelque village dans mon pays, que de se mettre au hasard de pouvoir perdre une place aussi importante que Pignerol, etc.

*** A splendid war letter relative to the siege of Pignerol. The letters of Louis XIV to Marshal Catinat: Sont autant de monuments de la confiance du Souverain. On y voit ce grand Roi reconnaitre à chaque ligne, dans Catinat, la science du général, le zèle du sujet dévoué, et le candeur de l'honnête homme."

320 ANNE, daughter of Philip III of Spain and Queen of Louis XIII, L. s. *with seals and silks*, 1 p. 4to, *Latere*, 14 *July*, 1656, to Pierre Segnier, Chancellor of France. Relative to the reformed Canons of St. Augustin, who have a lawsuit against the Bishop d'Ozes, and if the Chancellor's judgment is not accepted, the intention of the King and Queen will be that the Council retain the knowledge of the cause, if it is lawful, as the Queen has a great respect for the good Canons.

321 POMPADOUR (Madame de). The original Manuscript Inventory, covering about 500 pp. folio, of the famous Works of Art collected by Madame de Pompadour. The Catalogue gives full details of her furniture, china, statuary, library, objets d'art, etc. *half morocco*

*** This is believed to constitute the sole complete record of the vast and precious Pompadour collections. This im-

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portant manuscript *has never been published*, and it would prove invaluable to any future biographer of Madame de Pompadour. There were one hundred and sixty-six auction sittings, commencing from 29th November, 1764, and continuing till 7th May, 1766. The inventory, though succinctly drawn up, illustrates the importance of the superb works of art collected by the Marquise. The total realised amounted to an enormous sum. All the works of art are priced. *Inserted is an original letter from Madame de Pompadour's father, François Poisson, to his son Marigny, in which he speaks of the Pompadour.*

322 BACON (Edward) third son of Sir Nicholas Bacon, ancient of Gray's Inn, d. 1618, A. L. s. 2½ pp. folio, dated *From Graies Inne the first of July* [1574], addressed on last page "To his louing Brother M^r^ Nathanael Bacon at Cockthorp." *With seal, a word or two damaged by a tear near it*

*** An interesting letter of historical importance. He describes the machinations of the Papists in regard to an election at Gray's Inn, which were frustrated by Yelverton (Sir Christopher, 1535?-1612) and others. Of more public importance is a description of the knavery of one Nedam, who by means of forged letters, said to be sixty in number, caused the Lord Treasurer, the Archbishop of Canterbury and others, to believe that there was a plot devised to murder the former, and the Bishop of Winchester. "My sister Doyly [Elizabeth, who married Sir Robert Doyle] setteth forth the 17 of July." The postscript is almost the most interesting part of the letter:

My L. of Oxford is goen beyond the sea & hath caried a great somme of mony with him. He toke shippin by his howse in essex. My L. Edw. Seamer is with him & dro: Yorke on Cruse [?*for* one Cruse], & a other. He went without leave the cause of ther departur vnknowne, moch speache thereof. The quen is said to take it ill. Mongomery is certenly executed with great tormentes. The king of Polonia is said to be verie sick.

It was in July, 1574, that the young Earl of Oxford escaped to Flanders without the Queen's knowledge; he was brought back before the end of the month.

323 BACON (Edward) A. L. s. ½ p. folio, addressed as above, 13 *Febr.* [157$\frac{3}{4}$]:

My Lr. Greyes fyne is 3 hundreth pound & fyftie, whoe behaved himself verie stowtly wyesly & told a eloquent tale. His judges were verie fauorable towardes him both in countenantes & wordes saving Sr. Thomas Smyth.

*** The reference is no doubt to Arthur, fourteenth Lord Grey de Wilton, who in 1573 was confined to the Fleet for some months in consequence of a quarrel with Sir John Fortescue. Of this the D.N.B. says, "How the matter ended we do not know; but Grey had a powerful ally in Lord Burghley."

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324 BACON (Edward) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, addressed as above, *March* [157$\frac{3}{4}$]:

The Queenes matie. mislyked verie motch the fauor shewed my Lr. Grey in the star chamber & the Blame therfor layes chiefly on my Lr. My Lr. Grey abydeth still prysoner betwixt whom & my ladie Russell ther is a mariage agreed on. Mr. Morison was maried on shrowft mondaie. Sir Rafe Sadler is Ridden post norward, vppon what cause, yeat vnknowne [probably on a message to Mary Queen of Scots.]

*** Reference is also made to Yelverton and Blackeman. The Lady Russell mentioned above was daughter of Sir Richard Morysine and widow of Edward Lord Russell, son of the second Earl of Bedford; the D.N.B. (xxxiii, 172) is incorrect in stating that she was the widow of the second Earl, actually her father-in-law. Unfortunately this interesting and important letter is somewhat wormed and a little injured by damp.

325 NORTH (Roger) 1530-1600, second Baron, entertained Queen Elizabeth at Kirtling, distinguished in the wars in Holland. A. L. s. 1 p. folio, dated at *Kirtling*, 6 *Jan. no year*, *very fine specimen*, filling the whole page, addressed on the last page of the sheet: "To the Right Worshipfull my lovinge Freinde M^{r} Nathaniell Bacon these bee Given":

Lord North is much put out that one Spratt has dared to hold a Court at Shernborne in Smethdon Hundred in the right of Mr. Carey. He declares that this is contrary to his patent, and intends to go to London "to deale with Mr. chavnselor about thes things which I purpose not to lose." Meantime, he asks for Bacon's support, and intimates that he had expected more help from him.

*** The date of the letter is probably 1599/1600, when Bacon was Sheriff of Norfolk.

326 PAGET (Henry) second Lord Paget, d. 1568, A. L. s. 2 pp. folio, *Venice, July* 19, 1568, recommending a French soldier for the Queen's service, *a fine and closely-written letter:*

The desyre I have (my vearye good Lord) that the Q. Maty. might have such in her service as may be for the advauncement of hir Matys honour . . .

*** It does not appear who the Lord was to whom the letter is addressed. Paget seems to have been ambassador at Venice, and the latter part of the letter is occupied with diplomatic information of some interest, referring to affairs in Italy, Spain and France, to the French settlers in Florida, and especially to the intrigues and campaigns of the Turks.

327 PRESTON (Sir John) d. 1616, Lord Fentonbarns, Scottish Judge, Doc. s. 1 p. folio, *Dec.* 10, 1613

328 BEAUNE (Charlotte de) d. 1617, daughter of Jacques de Beaune, Marquis de Noirmoustier, Doc. s. 4 pp. folio, 1606

*** A very interesting document, relating to the succession to the property of the famous Renaud de Beaune, Archbishop of Bourges, and afterwards of Sens, who died in 1606. "Charlotte de Beaune separee quant aux biens dauec Mes-

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sire François de la Trimouille Marquis de Noirmoustier son Mary, Legataire et donataire de feu Messire Regnault de Beaune Archeuesque de Sens et grand Ausmonier de France." Charlotte de Beaune was "dame d'atour" of Catherine de Medici. Signed also by M^r^ Nicolas de Croisille sieur de Saint Martin (no doubt a member of the Croisille branch of the Montmorenci family), "au nom et comme procureur de haulte et puissante Dame Marie de Beaune Veufue de hault et puissant Seigneur Messire Anne de Montmorency" (the marriage took place in 1577, and the Duke died in 1592). The document gives details in regard to the inheritance, and is countersigned by the notaries.

329 BROWNE (Sir Richard) 1605-1683, resident at the Court of France for Charles I and Charles II, L. s. and subscribed to Sir Robert Long, Secretary of State in attendance on Charles II in Jersey, 3 pp. folio, *Paris, Jan.* 15, 1650, *a fine letter*

*** A most interesting and important letter referring to a great variety of matters — the Peace of Bordeaux, the Duc d'Espernon's treacherous and unsuccessful attack on that town after the signing of the treaty, the threat to withdraw the 18000 Swiss troops from France "unless they might be paid their Arreares, which is a vast summe," the doings of M. Augier, Cromwell's agent in Paris, and a scheme "for the Raising of a great Summe of money upon the Clergy by permitting every Incumbent to name his Successor and to pay for it a fourth of the full Revenue of the Benefice foure yeares together, pretending to find an expedient to make it no Symonie." The rest of the letter is mainly occupied with questions of finance, and in particular with the commission claimed by Charles upon the prizes captured by the Jersey pirates in return for his license to prey upon British shipping. Browne, it seems, was to receive his salary out of the proceeds of these dues, and had some difficulty in collecting them. He therefore asks for "some generall Power for the Receipts of the 15^ths^ in the other parts of France upon the Ocean, not included in Mr. Whittington's Commission." He concludes:

I can and doe assure yo^e^ Hon^r^ upon my Part of Paradise that this Inclosed Pacquet from S^r^ William Boswell came thus Bruised to my hands, and that I have not looked into one line thereof, nor ever in my life was guilty of any thing of that nature.

Sir Richard Browne was father-in-law to John Evelyn, who married his daughter Mary (then only 12 years old) in 1647.

330 BRYAN (Sir Francis) d. 1550, Courtier, Diplomatist and Poet. Doc. s. 20 *May*, 34 *Henry VIII* (1542), *a well-written deed on vellum*

*** An indenture of sale by Sir Francis Bryan, knight, and Richard Bury, gentilman, to "Sir Thomas Audeley, knight

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of the honorable ordre of the Garter, Lord Audeley of Walden and Lord Chancellor of Inglonde," the manor of Moche Tey (Great Tey), etc. The lands were part of the inheritance of Sir Francis' wife, Dame Phillipp. The deed is signed by Sir Francis Bryan and Richard Brown, and their signatures are attested by a 3-line holograph certificate of Peter Aysheton, dated 23 June, 1542. Sir Francis Bryan was an important personage in the reign of Henry VIII; the king had conceived a lasting affection for him, and sent him as envoy to Rome to obtain the papal sanction for the divorce from Catherine; he was a zealous champion of his cousin, Anne Boleyn. He was one of the messengers sent to summon Catherine to appear before Cranmer's court, and she felt his presence, as a relative of Anne Boleyn, to be an insult. The Archbishop of Canterbury

"Held a late court at Dunstable, six miles off
From Ampthill, where the princess lay; to which
She oft was cited by them, but appear'd not."

Sir Francis is mentioned in Ascham's *Scholemaster*. He had a great reputation as a poet, and contributed to *Tottel's Miscellany*. Drayton writes of him:

"Sacred Bryan (whom the Muses kept,
And in his cradle rocked him while he slept)."

About 1617 he married Philippa, a rich heiress and widow of Sir John Fortescue; this deed shows that she was alive later than is usually supposed. The certificate of recognition is most probably by Peter Ashton, who translated Paulus Jovius' "Turcicarum rerum Commentarius."

331 CAREW (Elizabeth) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *about* 1600, *a most interesting letter, written with painstaking care in a childish hand:*

Righte deare, and well beloved father, my humble duty remembred, giuing god thankes, that you are in health, as I understand by my lady, rendering you many thankes, for your kinde tooken, you sente mee by her, hopinge you will pardon mee, for nott writing by my vnkle, and as you sent me worde by my lady, that I shoulde send the colour, and measure, for my satten gooune, and as for the colour of the others, I will referr it unto you, intreating you, to make choyse of a stronge stufe, and likewise to command the talor that he make of the newest and beast fashion, wide, and longe enoughe, and soe I committ you to the protection of the almeighty god. restinge Your obedient daughter in the lord Elizabeth Carew. From chipingunger (Chipping Ongar, Essex) the xxviith of Jenuary. Addressed on the other leaf of the sheet, in another hand, "To my deare and well-beloued father Sr. Nicholas Carew Knight, at London, these."

*** The writer of this letter was one of the three daughters of Sir Nicholas Carew, who changed his name from Throckmorton in accordance with the will of his uncle, Sir Francis Carew. Sir Nicholas' sister Elizabeth married Sir Walter Ralegh, after both had been imprisoned by the queen, so the writer was niece to Lady Ralegh.

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332 CARR (Frances) 1593-1632, daughter of Thomas Howard, first Earl of Suffolk, married (I) in 1606 Robert Devereux (1591-1646), third Earl of Essex; (II) in 1613, Robert Carr (d. 1645), Earl of Somerset, purchase of jewels by the Earl of Somerset for his present to her at their wedding, *Nov.* 1613

*** The reference to these jewels is contained in a letter from JOHN WOODFORD, secretary to Sir Thomas Edmondes, James I's ambassador in Paris, to William Derrick, Edmondes' agent in London, 2¼ pp. folio, *Paris, Nov.* 19, 1613:

Yesterday an expresse messenger arrived here onely with a letter from my Lo: of Somerset, wherin he desired my Lo: to recover for him here if it were possible a chayne of diamonds of eight or ten thousand Crownes valew, and as many diamonds more of 30 crownes a peice, as would serve to garnishe the cape of a cloake, and to send them with such speed as they might be there against the beginning of the next weeke.

Frances Howard had married Essex at the age of 13, and obtained a decree of nullity on Sept. 25, 1613, after procuring the death of Sir Thomas Overbury, who opposed the design of a marriage between her and Carr. On Nov. 4 Carr was made Earl of Somerset, and the wedding was announced for the last week of November, at Audley End; but on the Queen consenting to be present, it was deferred till Dec. 26, at Whitehall. There was a great display of presents, "more in value and number than ever, I think, were given to any subject in this land" (Chamberlain to Alice Carleton, Dec. 30, 1613). In 1616 the Countess was sentenced to death for the murder of Overbury, but was reprieved. The Dukes of Devonshire, Rutland, and Bedford are directly descended from her. The letter contains other matters of interest, including references to Henry Wriothesley (1573-1624), third Earl of Southampton, Shakespeare's patron, treasurer of the Virginia Company, who owed a watch-maker's bill in Paris; Sir Ralph Winwood (1563?-1617), diplomatist and secretary of state; Sir Henry Neville (1564?-1615), courtier and diplomatist, and to the treaty for the marriage of Prince Charles with Christine, second daughter of Henri IV.

333 MORE (John) d. 1592, "The Apostle of Norwich," scholar of Christ's College, Cambridge, Minister of St. Andrew's, Norwich, suspended in 1576 for opposing ceremonies, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, 10 *Dec.* 1576, addressed on verso to Mr. Nathaniell Bacon, *very rare*:

The Lord god in mercye blesse you w^t^ his grace vnto the end Amen. good m^r^ Bacon I thank god for that good and godlie zeale w^ch^ the lord in mercye hath given you. . . . I am even now redye to leave my house to ryde into myne owne countrye, it wylbe I think this two monethes before I can returne. but this I promyse you before the lord that at after my returne you shalbe the fyrst by gods grace that I wyll vysyte.

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334 WESLEY (John) 1703-91, A. L. s. 1 p. 8vo, *Bristol*, 11 *Sept.* 1784:

The information I rec[d] was not from —— but from the body of leaders at Warrington & at Liverpool. . . If bro. Eells behaves well now, I shall think no more of *past* things. O exhort the Believers to go on to Perfection! Perhaps you have sometimes been a little wanting in this. I am, dear Christopher, your affectionate Friend & Brother, J. Wesley.

*** The name in the second line after the words "was not from" has been crossed out, and is illegible. Unpublished. Almost certainly written to Christopher Hopper.

335 ALBUM OF AUTOGRAPH LETTERS, containing specimens of the Duke of Wellington (A. L. third person), B. Disraeli (A. L. s. 1½ pp.), W. E. Gladstone (A. L. s. 2 pp.), Lady Blessington (A. L. s. 3 pp.), Charles Darwin (A. L. third person), Leigh Hunt (A. L. s. 1½ pp., *imperfect*), J. Ruskin (A. L. s. 1 p.), C. Dickens (A. L. third person, ½ p.), W. M. Thackeray (end of an A. L. s. in his earlier hand), Wilkie Collins (A. L. s. 2½ pp.), G. Crabbe (end of an A. L. s.), etc.

336 LAMB (C.) Auto. Copy of a poem by S. T. Coleridge, "Water Ballad," 24 lines, 1 p. folio, *laid down*

*** Lamb has written Coleridge's name at the bottom of the poem.

337 LAMB (C.) concluding portion of Elia's "Thoughts on Presents of Game," in 10 lines, beginning "Why, Achilles, or Bully Dawson, would have declined the preposterous combat," ½ p. folio, signed "Elia," *laid down*

338 DICKENS (Charles) A. L. s. 1 p. 8vo, *July* 22, 1855, to E. M. Ward

339 DICKENS (C.) A. L. s. 1 p. 8vo, *March* 16, 1857, sending draft of a resolution to appoint a committee

340 RUSKIN (John) A. L. s. 1¼ pp. 8vo, *Dec.* 7, 1867, to Mr. King; others of Samuel Cousins, David Livingstone, etc., a large number addressed to Miss Bessie Smith, aunt of Florence Nightingale

341 SIDNEY (Mary) 1561-1621, married Henry Herbert, second Earl of Pembroke. Original Receipt for the Payment of the Final Instalment of Mary Sidney's Dowry. Signed "H. Pembroke," *with seal*, ½ p. folio, dated 3 *Febr.* 1577, *in perfect preservation*:

Be it knowne to all men by these presents that I Henry Erle of Pembroke Lorde Herbert of Cardiff of the noble order of the Gartier, Knight, have receaved of the right honorable Sr. Henry Sydney Knight of the same order L: Deputy of Irelande L: president of wales and one of her mats. most honorable privie Councsell in full and cleere payment of 3000li. promised me for the Dowar of Marye his L: daughter and nowe my Wyfe, the some of fyve hundreth powndes currant money of England, viz. Dli. H. Pembroke (seal).

Endorsed on back:

Therle pembrokes acquitance for vc. li in full paymt. of the marige.

*** This important document appears to be entirely unrecorded. It is curious that about 10 days after the date of this receipt

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Sir Henry was writing to the Queen, urging her to sign certain bills in his favour, on the ground that he had to pay £3,000 for his daughter's dowry.

342 SMITH (Sir William Sidney) known as Sir Sidney Smith, 1764-1840, Admiral, A. L. s. 4 pp. 4to, *Walmer House, near Deal, June* 21, 1792, *a very fine letter*

*** A long and important letter, marked "private," relating to arrangement for a secret mission to Constantinople. The name of the recipient does not appear, but he was evidently in some official position :

I cannot but express myself satisfied with the propriety of Lord Grenville's decision & with the arrangement as it now stands, the sum added will I make no doubt be adequate to the attainment of the objects in question . . . The distance between Constantinople and your office would not allow of explanations.

The writter is anxious that secrecy should be observed in lodging money for his credit. The D.N.B. thus refers to this mission : "Almost immediately after this (16 May, 1792) he went out to Constantinople on a visit to his younger brother, then ambassador to the Porte, being entrusted, he used afterwards to say, with a secret misson, and probably intending to volunteer for service with the Turks, should the war with Russia continue." This letter suggests that he was entrusted with important and probably dangerous business.

343 TAVERNER (Richard) 1505?-1575, Religious Reformer and Author, signature to a document, 10 *Nov.* 37 Henry VIII (1545), *on vellum*

*** The deed is also signed by Robert Taverner, and both seals are intact. By it the two Taverners sell to Milo Forrest, of Morbourn, the tenement called Clerkes Howse, with lands, etc. in the parish of Stilton, Hunts. formerly belonging to the suppressed monastery of Busschemeade, Beds. on the same conditions as they hold it on by the King's Letters Patent under the Great Seal, dated 3 Sept. 37 Henry VIII (1545). The D.N.B. mentions several grants of land to Taverner at about this date, but does not notice this particular grant. The importance of Richard Taverner with regard to the history of the English Bible is too well known for it to be necessary to dilate on it. His translation first appeared in 1539. THE AUTOGRAPH OF RICHARD TAVERNER IS OF GREAT RARITY.

344 TWYSDEN (Sir Roger) A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, dated *East Peckham*, 13 *Dec.* 1669, to his son Charles, at Oxford, *with address*

*** Asks for a selected copy, on good paper, of Heylyn's History of Presbyterianism, as the copy he has seen was "but of a very ille paper."

Get it well yt. is strongly bound and sowed ; you were wont to have there the best bynder in England . . . but pray let it be pickt and chosen wthout iron moles.

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345 CHARLES II. Signatures of five out of the six peers deputed to invite Charles II to return to England, on a 4to leaf of paper, dated "*Centurion Frigott*," 14 May, 1660

*** The signatories of this most interesting document recommend for promotion the bearer, "James Jenifer—Leiuetenn^{t} of the Centurion—haueinge Upon this occation [*sic*] of comeinge ouer, in the said Frigott Cause to thinke him capable of some better Imployment." It will be seen that this must refer to the voyage taken for the purpose of waiting on the King. Signed by—Oxford (Aubrey de Vere, 20th Earl of, 1626-1703); Middlesex (Lionel Cranfield, 3rd Earl of, 1622-1674); Hereford (Leicester Devereux, 6th Viscount, 1617-1676); Berkeley (George, 1st Earl, 1628-1698); Brooke (Robert Greville, 4th Baron, died 1676)

346 RICHMOND PARK. Committee of Lords and Commons for H.M. Revenue. Warrant for paying "unto Mr. Humphrey Rogers one of the keepers of his Ma^{ties} greate Park of Richmond in the Countie of Surry the Sume of Twentie five pounds," 1 p. folio, *Westminster*, *Dec.* 25, 1647. With the following signatures—Northumberland (Sir Algernon Percy, 1602-1668, 10th Earl, Lord High Admiral, opposed Charles I's trial, guardian of his two youngest children); Salisbury (William Cecil, 1591-1668, 2nd Earl); W. Say & Seale (William Fiennes, 1582-1662, 8th Baron and 1st Viscount); H. Vane (Sir Henry Vane the younger, 1613-1662, statesman); Cor. Holland (regicide, escaped to Holland); Tho. Hoyle

347 RUSHWORTH (John) 1612?-1690, Historian, Articles of Agreement between John Rushworth, Katherine Rushworth, and Robert Boulter, for publishing the third part of Rushworth's "Historical Collections." Annexed is "A Memoriall of the Order and Method of the Third Part." Three large sheets of vellum, with two seals, *March* 22, 1681

*** Endorsed on the back is a receipt for £9 6s. 6d., signed by Katherine Rushworth, youngest daughter of the author. The third part of the "Historical Collections" was not published till 1692, and part of the matter specified in the "Memoriall" mentioned above was included in the fourth part, published in 1701. Boulter appears to have died or gone out of business in 1683 (the last year in which his name occurs in Arber's *Term Catalogues*), and his failure to publish the book may have some connection with the fact that Rushworth spent the last six years of his life in the King's Bench.

348 RYCHE (R.) A. L. s. (initials only), "By yo^{r} Fad^{r} R.R." 3 closely written folio pages, "wrytt w^{t} gret hast the x day of octobere," no year (1450-60); the letter is addressed on the verso of the last leaf "To my welbeluw^{d} Son Dawy ryche

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att londȳ (apparently for London) thes be gewyn," *fore-edges a little frayed, slightly damaging a few words*

*** AN EXTREMELY INTERESTING SPECIMEN OF A VERY EARLY PRIVATE LETTER. The first page is headed Ihū, the next two having a cross at the top. The letter begins "My welbeluw[d] son I recōmand me on to you & hath rec̄ a letter' of robart Frang yll clossyd which was lowssyd are y rec̄ hit." He continues to dilate on the necessity of closing letters carefully: "y thynkys that yo[r] lett[r] send by Adam brenaȝ was kept by malys & sottyllte." The writer mentions "your cossyn Serloke," who seems to have been tampering with letters. "For nycollas Haket dyd enssure me of this & had sure word ȳ Flandrys of this & so pauca sapiēti." This proverb occurs several times in the letter. The next section introduces some people of the name of "Colly and his son"; the latter is referred to again as Wat Culy, "for seyng that he ys nowe & can go no furd' he wyll forg lett[rs] w[t] eu[r]y man to sett hȳ self forwarde & he can lett[r] y nowe & ys bold & byll wyce & he ys as aprot as eny of his degrewe in erland & as ȳ kawys som ewyll wyllerrs wyll & says that hit ys for hett & pride that I dyd & dos keppe yō ther." The last sentence shows that the writer was in Ireland, and this is borne out by his charging his son to cultivate the acquaintance of my lord of Wylschyr: this was no doubt James Butler, created Earl of Wiltshire in 1499, Lieutenant of Ireland 1453-5, died 1461. Other passages in the letter show unmistakably that the writer was in Ireland. He mentions Follype Merhow, and his brother Robart. An interesting passage concerns the marriage of his daughter: "also ye haw sett me to gret loss yo[r] conssayll to bryng my mynd toward pat deyras whē y thoȝtt to departe hȳ by the me' cōsaill of you dyd cōwert me & y dyd cōwert my doȝtt[r] for fer towards hȳ which me repentyth most of eny thyng that ew[r] y dyd to mell w[t] an onhappy dronkard which ys not waurth a peny." Further on he says: "yo[r] brothyr Wyllā ys yn paynt (? for *point*) of maryag w[t] Wyllā Kady of Kalla." He desires him to write to the Abbott of Exeter in regard to land in Ireland for "yo[r] brothyr rechart & me." These extracts will be sufficient to show the intimate and interesting character of this long letter.

349 RYVES (Brune), 1596-1677, A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, dated from *Haseley* (*Oxfordshire*), *Dec.* 14, 1665, *in very good condition*; a long and interesting letter on the distress caused by the Great Plague:

The miserable distractions of these times, by reason of that dreadfull contagion wch. hath raged amongst us, this whole summer, and is not yet ceased, but scattered, not onely in London, but in many places of the Country, must plead my Apology. . . . Truly my Lord we have been afrayd one of an other, as if the curse of Cain had been upon us, to feare that every man that mett us, would slay us, the high wayes have been unoccupied, all intercourse of Letters obstructed,

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and no man thought himselfe secure in his closest retirements . . . ffor the affaires of this Kingdom, I presume, you have an account of them from many better hands, I shall onely condole vnto you, the declining of that honorable Order, wch. might have had the happynesse, to receive an addition of Honour and preseruation of its Lustre, by your Lordshipps relation to it: but . . . since your Lordshipps departure the doores of St. George's hall, have been shutt, we haue not seene a Knight of the Order in Windsor.

*** Brune Ryves, chaplain to Charles I, was deprived of his benefices in 1642, and a parliamentary preacher appointed in his place. At the Restoration he was made dean of Windsor and chaplain in ordinary to Charles II. Ryves was the author of the royalist "Mercurius Rusticus" (1646).

350 JAMES VI OF SCOTLAND. His Signature to a Letter of "Safe Conduct" for James Murray, 1 p. folio, dated from *Stirling Castle, 3 July*, 1579:

Trustie and Welbelovit (wellbeloved) we great (greet) you hertilie (heartily) weill (well). We have thocht (thought) convenient to direct to our dearest suster (sister) the quene (Queen) your soverane the beirare (bearer) heirof (hereof) James Murray oure trustie servaunt (servant) with oure letters and credite/ We require you thairfoir effectureslie (effectively) to grant unto him with sich (such) as he bringes to accompany him favourable and reddy passage and your commission to be ansrit (answered) of post horss (horse) for his better expeditionn pas (?) prn y (?) on his awn (own) horss with your testimony that he be not Impedit in returnyng of thance as ye will do with thankfull and gude pleasyr. Thus we comt (commend) you to god At our Castell of Striveling the thrid (third) day of July 1579.

Youre verie loving frend

JAMES R.

*** James Murray, mentioned in this "Safe Conduct," was the younger brother of Sir William Murray, the Comptroller of the Household. In 1564, he appears to have been employed by Queen Mary on a private embassy to France, and in the following year returned to Scotland as a messenger from Bothwell. He sprang into notoriety at the time of Darnley's murder. A placard was affixed to the door of the Tolbooth which named Bothwell, James Balfour, David Chambers and "black Mr. John Spence" as the guilty persons. Though the document bore no signature, it was proved to be the work of James Murray.

351 JAMES VI. Signature to a Document, 1 p. large folio, dated *Holyrood House*, 1588, granting unto his secretary John Geddes (appointed Secretary by Sir John Maitland of Thirlestane, the Lord High Chancellor) for life, all the "Custumes and deniers perteining to his Hieness or that may heirefter perteine or be uplisted of the Workmanshippes and manufacturis of all straungers reteired and making residence Within his hieness Realme"; also granting the said John Geddes £100 a year for paper and all other things necessary to his office of "King's Secretary"

*** Signed the year of Queen Mary's execution. This document is countersigned by George Gordon, Marquis of Huntley, and Sir John Maitland of Thirlestane, Lord Chancellor. Both

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were prominent friends of Queen Mary. This important historical document was penned when both England and Scotland were in a state of consternation at the approach of the Spanish Armada, and the King of Scotland took his stand against Spain. The Marquis of Huntley was, in 1588, corresponding with the Spaniards for an invasion of Scotland on behalf of the Catholic cause, and doubtless he contributed in this way to the launch of the Armada. But it was while staying with the King at Holyrood that this incriminating correspondence was discovered. Sir John Maitland, who always endeavoured to further Queen Mary's interests, was brother of William Maitland of Lethington, one of her most devoted followers.

352 KNOX (John) A Contemporary Manuscript of his famous "Protest" to Queen Elizabeth, covering 3 pp. folio, dated *Edinburgh, 14th July*, 1559. The document commences:

To the vertues (vertuous) & godly Lady Elizabeth by ye grace of God Quene of Englande, John Knox desiereth the perpetuall increase of ye holy spirite.

*** This historic document is Knox's reply to Queen Elizabeth's objection to his famous book against the governments of Mary Queen of Scots and Elizabeth—"The First Blast of the Trumpet against the Monstrous Regiment of Women." This book was written in 1558, when Knox was at Geneva, and the present document was written but two months after the Reformer's return to Edinburgh from Geneva. It is doubtful whether Elizabeth ever saw this document. In the covering letter to Cecil, Knox wrote: "I understand I am become so odious to the Queen's Grace and to her Council, that the mention of my name is unpleasing in their ears; but yet, I will not cease to offer myself, requiring you, in God's name, to present to the Queen's Grace this my letter." The present manuscript is possibly a transcript sent by Cecil to one of the Privy Council.

353 ELIZABETH (Queen) Letter signed with her Stamp signature, 1 p. 4to, dated *Hampton Court, 20th March*, 1569, addressed to Thomas Knevet, of Ashwelthorpe. Sealed with the Queen's small seal, *intact*

*** The stamp signature of Queen Elizabeth is of much greater rarity than her autograph signature. This document is an extremely important State Paper. It concerns the famous Ridolfi conspiracy and the rebellion of the Catholics in the North of England, in which the double aim was the restoration of Catholicism and the release of Mary Queen of Scots. Mary was a prisoner in Tutbury Castle, under the care of the Earl of Shrewsbury, at the time this State Paper was drawn up, having been removed from Lord Scrope's castle at Bolton in January (1569). *A complete transcript accompanies the document.*

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354 LOUIS XVI. "Etat de plusieurs Parties et Sommes de Deniers que le Roy a commandé et ordonné à Me. Micault d'Harvelay con^r. du roy en ses conseils garde de son tresor royal en exercice pendant l'année 1781." The original Manuscript, covering 81 pp. folio, signed by Louis XVI, and also by the following members of the Council of State: Louis François de Paule Le Fèvre d'Ormesson; Antoine Auget Baron de Montyon, Member of the Academie Française and famous French philanthropist; Jacques Necker, the celebrated statesman; and three other Royal Councillors, *original calf*

*** This State Paper is of the greatest importance, as it shows Louis XVI's expenditure for the year 1781. The total was 37,992,762 livres, 7 sols, 5 deniers.

355 ERSKINE (John, Earl of Mar) and MARY (Stuart) Countess of Mar. Document signed by both, dated *Stirling, 22nd November*, 1594, 1 p. large folio. Relative to the family property. This document is a receipt and discharge by John Erskine, Earl of Mar, and Mary (Stuart) Countess of Mar, for money paid by David Graham, of Fintry, and his tutor, William Graham, of Ballawnie, or Baldowy, for the resignation of the lands of Fintry.

*** The Earl's second wife was Marie Stuart, second daughter of Esme, first Duke of Lennox. Her father and Lord Darnley were cousins, and she was also a cousin of Lady Arabella Stuart.

356 CECIL (William) Lord Burleigh, Queen Elizabeth's famous Minister, A. L. s. 2 pp. folio, 21 *July*, 1578. A splendid and extremely important letter. It is relative to the Lady Margaret Douglas, Countess of Lennox, the mother of Lord Darnley (second husband of Mary Queen of Scots). *Holograph letters of Burleigh are of the greatest rarity.*

Mr. Petre, I send you a Prive Seale for payement of mony yerly to my La: Lenox as you may se. and therby I pray you mak an order yt (that) my Lady uppo hir acquitance may receave £75 for a quarter due at Midsomer which is dew for that my Lady of Lenox, ye elder, dyed befor our lady daye, and because she hath nede of mony, I pray you also mak an order that she may receave so much at Michaelmas, and that this mony be payd by ye Teller who receaved ye mony of my sayd Ladyes reveneus. you may also send to ye Officers of ye Ordenace (ordnance), that although Hir Maty. willed me to forbeare payement of any more untill Mr. pellta (Pelham) should retorn, yet consideryg ye gret nede which I perceave sondry persons have for thyngs delyvered into that Office, I am content, and will aventure some mislykyng that they be payd ye sommes conteaned in ye warrant order which I willed you to paye, prayeng you to stey ye next paye untill Hir Maty's plesure may be furder knowen. I pray you gyve them advise, to employ as much as they maye uppo powder and saltpetre you may remembre them that by reason I have shortened ye quantitie of match for Irland, ther is to be stayed of ye warrant about £100 which would not be payd, or if it be payd to abate it . . . . . etc.

*** Lady Margaret Douglas, to whom the first part of this splendid letter refers, was of the Blood Royal, being the

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niece of Henry VIII and the wife of Matthew Stuart, Earl of Lennox, Regent of Scotland, and, therefore, mother-in-law of Mary Queen of Scots.

357 ROUGET DE LISLE (Claude Joseph) Author of "La Marseillaise," The original Manuscript of his Household Book, *unpublished*, covering 70 pp. 4to, *red morocco*

*** Important, being the Household Book of his "Administration du Domaine de Montaigu." Rouget de Lisle was constrained to sell his share of the heritage of the "Domain de Montaigu," where the years of his infancy were spent. The Manuscript commences:

On pense que pour la bien de la chose, il est convenable que je me charge de l'administration du domain de Montaigu, du moins jusqu'à nouvel ordre. J'y consens, et je m'en occuperai tant que mes affaires et les circonstances me permettront de rester sur les lieux. Soit pour ma Satisfaction personelle, Soit pour justifier de ma gestion à qui il appartiendra, je rendrai compt ici jour par jour, de tout ce qui sera relatif à l'administration dont il s'agit.

He also refers to the death of Mlle. Rouget. Inserted is an A. L. s. of the author, 3 pp. 4to, *Paris*, 31 *August*, 1820, addressed to Barras, appealing for the loan of 1,200 francs.

358 TURNER (J. M. W., *R.A.*) A. L. s. 1¾ pp. 4to, *April* 13, 1812, to J. Wyatt, about some pictures by Turner bought by Wyatt which had been badly hung at the Royal Academy

359 RUSKIN (John) Twenty-nine A. L. s. 66 pp. 8vo and folio, *March* 14, 1861, *to July* 7, 1873, to Sir John and Lady Naesmith, A FINE SERIES OF LETTERS

*** Most of these letters are on intimate personal topics, and speak at great length of the writer's health, hopes, troubles and sentiments. In the first of the series he talks of his friends:

I am left for the most part alone. I have one very dear friend in America—and *one* artist friend—Edward Jones who will I believe, if he is spared—take lead of the P.R.B.'s, eventually; and one physician friend, John Simon; and one literary friend—Carlyle; (perhaps I might add—Helps). And one old college friend—Henry Acland, etc.

In a letter of Aug. 22, 1861, he talks of Venice, where the Naesmiths were going, advises them what passages to read in "The Stones of Venice," and criticizes the restoration of old Italian pictures:

Titian's Assumption was once the noblest picture in Kosmos, as far as human creatures know it. But I hear there is more of cosmetic than of Kosmos in it now.

Elsewhere he alludes to Bishop Colenso's book and says he had been working on the same lines, alludes to Mrs. Browning ["She was killed by the peace of Villafranca and I have never been the same since"], speaks of the seal and motto which his father had adopted, and alludes repeatedly to the mental trouble which was to darken his life.

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360 PIOZZI (Hester Lynch, Mrs. Thrale) A. L. s. 1½ pp. 4to, *Bath, n. d.* to Rev. Dr. Randolph, *with portrait*

361 HAYDON (B. R.) Painter, A. L. s. 4 pp. 8vo, *n. d.* to Mr. Hunter, asking him not to press immediately for a debt of £50.— MAILLY (Marquis de) Auto. Order, in French, s. and sealed, *June* 28, 1711; two others, in French; and a Portrait of Heinsius (5)

362 FOLEY (Admiral Sir Thomas) A. L. s. 3 pp. 4to, *n. d. torn at the seal*, to Capt. Mundy, interesting letter about Lord Nelson's death; Manuscript Plan of the Battle of the Nile made on the field of battle, *Aug.* 2 *and* 3, 1798; A List of the French Ships with their fortunes in the action (3)

363 WELLINGTON (Duke of) Twenty A. L. third person, or A. L. s. 1837-43, chiefly to Mr. Willis, about household arrangements, etc.

364 SACKVILLE (Thomas) 1536-1607, first Baron Buckhurst, first Earl of Dorset, Lord Treasurer, A. L. s. "T. Buckhurst," 1 p. folio, with holograph endorsement, *May* 18, 1603, to Sir Thomas Knyvet, Warden of the Mint, respecting the First Coinage of James I, *a fine letter*

365 SAVILE (John) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, dated *From Loundo* (?) *this xv of December*, 1585:

Mr. Coplaye, Sir Thomas Cecill and I have byne in somme taylke but I am in no hope yt. it will growe to any effectte. I shoulde have hade certyne lande of him somme parte whearof I am lothe to forgo. . . . I have wrytte to Crowder to make me agaynst yt daye eather by lettinge of lease or sellinge my lande in Bradshawes what monye he can.

*** From the mention of Bradshaw (Bolton, Lancs.) it seems probable that the writer was Sir John Savile (1545-1607), Judge, elder brother of Sir Henry Savile of Eton; he was M.P. for Newton, Lancs. in 1572. Sir Thomas Cecil (1542-1622) was probably the son of Lord Burleigh, who was afterwards first Earl of Exeter.

366 SCOTT (Sir Walter) A. L. s. 2½ pp. 4to, *Abbotsford*, 23 *April* [1822], *a very fine letter*

*** A most interesting letter to the Marchioness of Huntly, afterwards Duchess of Gordon. He begins by expressing his obligation to Lord Huntly for his mediation with Lord Tweddale, which has led to his cousin's obtaining satisfactory compensation. He is making an addition to Abbotsford, and hopes that Lord and Lady Huntly will one day come and look at his armoury and collection of old nicknackets. He then goes on to give a most interesting sketch of the subject of Halidon Hill:

Joanna Baillie has in some measure compelled me to try and make a short poem for a collection which she is about to publish. I have thought of making a dramatic sketch of the following subject.

The sketch which follows is similar to, though more carefully

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written than the one found in Scott's letter to Miss Baillie, 10 February, 1822. "Halidon Hill," when written, proved unsuitable, and "Macduff's Cross" took its place; but Constable got wind of the former piece, offered £1,000 for the copyright without seeing the MS., and published it the same year.

367 FITZROY (Henry) 1519-1536, Duke of Richmond and Somerset, Earl of Nottingham, son of Henry VIII by Elizabeth Blount. The original Dispensation for a Marriage between Henry, Duke of Richmond and Mary Howard (died 1557), daughter of Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, *Nov.* 26, 1533, *on vellum, with portrait of Henry Fitzroy*

*** The dispensation (required because the parties were related in the fourth degree) was granted and is signed by Richard Gwent (died 1543, Rector of St. Peter's Cheap, Dean of Arches, afterwards Arch-deacon of London; one of the commissioners appointed in 1540 to determine the validity of Henry VIII's marriage with Anne of Cleves; buried in the middle of St. Paul's Cathedral). The marriage was celebrated (on Nov. 25, according to the D.N.B., which also gives the date of the dispensation as Nov. 28), but was never consummated, owing to the tender age of the bride and the bridegroom's early death. Mary Fitzroy was afterwards implicated in the charge against her brother, the Earl of Surrey, who was accused of endeavouring to make her Henry VIII's mistress. She was a first cousin of Catherine Howard, Henry's fifth wife.

368 HASTINGS (Warren) Governor-General of India, 1732-1818. A. L. s. 7 pp. 4to, *Wimpole St. Feb.* 22, 1789

*** A LONG LETTER OF HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE, addressed to John Caillaud (died 1810, brigadier-general), who had been attacked by Burke for his conduct in India, and had sent his defence (intended for publication, but never printed), to Hastings for his comments. The charges made against Caillaud concern "the Transaction of the Three Seals, the Death of Meeran, the Revolution in favour of Cossim Ally Cawn . . . . these are the Texts of all Mr. Burke's Oratory, and constitute the Charge on which you are to defend yourself." According to the D.N.B., Caillaud in 1760 "was actively employed in repelling an invasion of Behar by the eldest son of the Emperor of Delhi"; this seems to be one of the occasions referred to above. Caillaud had urged, in his apology, that the prince was a rebel; Hastings deprecates this line of defence. "You, a military officer, were to obey Orders, not to deliberate on the question of right. And though this might have been proper in your Character as a Member of the Council, yet the Question was precluded from your participation in it, by a Decision passed upon it in a former Administration."

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369 HENRIETTA MARIA (Queen Consort of Charles I) 1609-1669. A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, *no date.* A personal note to her brother, in all probability Louis XIII:

Monsieur mon frere je croirois manquer a l'afection que je vous porte si je lessois partir mr. de st. George sans vous en renouveller les assurances, etc. . . . . je suis et seray eternellement Monsieur mon frere Vre tres affectionne sœur Henriette Marie R.

*** The St. George mentioned was no doubt Sir Henry, who had been sent by Charles I to conduct his bride to England. The letter is in fine preservation, but the margin has been strengthened—needlessly, but it makes it easier to handle the letter without damaging it.

370 HENRY VIII. Sign Manual to a letter addressed to John Heron, Treasurer of the Chamber, granting to Christopher Rochester four years' respite in paying the sum of £80 wherein he stands bound by obligation of the Statute of the Staple, 1 p. folio, with address, *Westminster Palace, Nov.* 1513

*** A FINE LETTER. From the Ives collection.

371 JAMES VI OF SCOTLAND. L. s. to Patrick, Lord Grey, dated from *Holyrood Palace, March 21st*, 1597, 1 p. folio:

Oure dearest brother the Duke of Holsatia, brother germane to the Quene oure dearest bedfallow, being come within our Realme, to visie ws his Sister and oure Childrene, and thairwith to occupy the tyme of his remanyng in sichting of the Townis maist ewishe oure honour cravis that we be cairfull of his Princelie respect and Intertenement in all the pairtis and places of his progres. And seing he takis journey vpoun Wednisday nixt the xxix day of this instant, and that his dyet is set doun to dyne with yow at Fowlis vpoun Mononday the third of Aprile next and to nycht in Perth, we have thocht meit to give yow this foreknowlege of it be our lettre, and thairwith to request yow To meit him and his tryne that day within sex mylis to Fowlis accompaneit with a convenient nombre of your honest frendis weill mounted and in gude array, convey him to your House, and sie him Interteneit thairin everie way as ye wald do Ourself or our said Bedfellow in persoun. Nocht doubting but ye will baith interprete our Imploying yow this way to als great honow to yow, as it is meanit be us, and Indevore yow to let it sa appeare be quhatsumeuir tractement ye can possiblie devyse to mak him welcome and weill vsit.

*** This interesting letter refers to the visit of his brother-in-law Christian, Duke of Holstein, later Christian of Denmark, to Scotland. In the history of Mary Queen of Scots, no man played a more despicable part than Lord Gray.

372 STUART (Elizabeth and Margaret) Doc. s. by both, dated *Edinburgh*, 8 *February*, 1579, 1 p. large folio

*** Elizabeth and Margaret were Mary Stuart's nearest relations, being the daughters of her half-brother. This is a Deed arranging for the repayment of certain monies advanced by George (Douglas) Bishop of Moray to these two daughters of the Regent Murray (Queen Mary's half-brother). The other signatories to the deed are Colin Campbell, Earl

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Argyle, Agnes Keith (widow of the Regent), Sir James Stewart of Doune, Alexander Clark, Provost of Edinburgh, George Dunbar, Chamberlain of Moray, and David Dunbar of Durris; a very rare group of signatures.

373 DOUGLAS (James) fourth Earl of Morton and Regent of Scotland, JOHN LYON (Lord Glamis), and WILLIAM RUTHVEN (Earl of Gowrie), Doc. s. by all three, dated *Edinburgh, 29 April*, 1577, 1 p. large folio. This is a decree made by the arbitrator, the Regent Morton, ordaining John (Lyon) Lord Glamis to proceed against William, Lord Ruthven, in an action depending before the Lords of Session in connexion with the possession and occupation of a dwelling house in Perth, which had belonged to Elizabeth Gray, Countess of Huntly, grandmother of Lord Glamis

*** Morton was a cousin of Darnley, and one of the principals in the murder of Rizzio (if not the actual assassin) in 1566. He became Regent of Scotland in 1571, and was executed in 1581. Lord Glamis was present at the marriage of Mary and Bothwell, but soon after joined her opponents. Lord Ruthven (afterwards Earl of Gowrie) was an adherent of Darnley, and also one of the principal actors in the murder of Rizzio, having risen from a sick bed for the purpose. He was executed in 1584. *A group of excessively rare signatures.*

374 ARUNDEL (Henry Fitzalan) Earl of, A. L. s. 4to, *April* 29, 1549

*** Relative to his journey to Scotland:

Mr. Carden These shalbe to requyre you to repare unto me unto the Court to morrow. I send for you bycausse I wold that yo, wth. me, shold well make anser unto our doyngs. fare ye well,

Yr. lovyng ffrend

ARUNDELL.

To my lovyng ffrend, Mr. Thomas Carden.

Haste wth dylygence.

[ENDORSEMENTS] (1) My Lord Arundell's letter ffor my com'ynge to the Courte ffor crossyng to Skottland. (2) Kyng Edward and hys Counsell's Warrantts for Rebylls.

*** Henry Fitzalan, twelfth Earl of Arundel, was one of Mary Queen of Scots' most devoted friends. At the time when this letter was written, the Protector's army was conveyed by sea to Edinburgh to co-operate in the invasion of Scotland.

375 JAMES V OF SCOTLAND. Doc. s., being an Order to his Privy Council, dated from the *Palace of Falkland*, 6 *December*, 1537, 1 p. 4to; *the Sign Manual of James V is of the greatest rarity*

*** This document sets forth that the King, on his own behalf and that of his tenants of Appindull, has issued a summons against the tenants of the Kirkland of Dow for stealing peats, turf and heather, and occupying the land, thereby

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depreciating the King's rentals from the land and injuring his tenants. . . . The King therefore orders the Privy Council to proceed at once to take measures to see that the summons is carried out.

376 COWPER (W.) Poet. A. L. s. 3 pp. 4to, *June* 13, 1793, to Samuel Rose, *torn at the seal but* A FINE LETTER, INCLUDING AN UNPUBLISHED SONNET; with a Letter to Cowper from R. Phillips (2)

*** Phillips was a printer who had been imprisoned in Leicester Gaol for selling books by Tom Paine, and had written to Cowper as "the first genius of the age," asking him for a song or sonnet on his behalf. Cowper sends Rose the sonnet which he wrote in answer to this appeal, asking him whether it could be made public. It begins:

"Phillips—the suff'rer less by Law than Pow'r"

377 COWPER (W.) A. L. s. 2½ pp. 4to, *May* 27, 1781, to Joseph Hill, A FINE LETTER

*** Thanks his companion for sending "the finest maccarel I ever saw or tasted," and complains that there are no fish in the Ouse, which:

. . . is a much better subject for a poet than an angler, and if I was writing verses upon it, I could say, Here comes the Pike, the tyrant of the stream, there goes the Tench and the broad-sided Bream, but it would be a mere fiction, and the poet might as well expect to catch salmon and trout in Helicon, as anything worth dressing in the Ouse.

Later on he speaks of the publication of his own poems which had missed the Spring season and were to appear in the Autumn, and speaks of the capriciousness of inspiration:

Sometimes it costs me no trouble to write a great deal, and sometimes, after much labor, I can produce little or nothing.

378 COWPER (W.) Auto. Poem, 20 lines, 1 p. 4to, addressed to Mrs. Courtenay, "On my dog killing a young bird," FINE MS. differing in several respects from the printed version

379 HOWARD (Philip) 1557-1595, Earl of Arundel, died in the Tower. Contemporary Copy or Draft of a Petition relating to the affairs of his estate. "The humble peticion of Roger Townesend and William Dyx to hir ma^{ties} most honorable privie Counsell." 1 p. of a folio sheet, *n. d. about* 1595

*** William Dyx has received orders to pay the revenue arising from the possessions of the Earl of Arundel to Mr. Killegrewe, one of the tellers of the Exchequer. These possessions have been conveyed to William Dyx to satisfy the late Duke's (*i.e.* the Duke of Norfolk) debts and legacies, and to other the uses of the said earl and his brothers.

380 HOWARD (Charles) 1536-1624, second Baron Howard of Effingham, first Earl of Nottingham, Lord High Admiral, commanded fleet against the Armada. Articles of Agreement,

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signed also by the Chancellor of the Exchequer and the Lord Treasurer, *Whitehall, Feb.* 4, 1600 (1601)

*** The document is defective, but the signatures are intact. Signed by—Nottingham; T. Buckhurst: Thomas Sackville (1536-1608), Baron Buckhurst, and afterwards Earl of Dorset, Lord Treasurer; J. Fortescu (1531?-1607), Chancellor of the Exchequer; Ro. Cecill (1563?-1612), Earl of Salisbury, Secretary of State, built Hatfield House.

381 JAMES II, while Duke of York. Account of Thomas Wallpole, barber in ordinary to the Duke of York, for the half-year ending Michaelmas, 1641, 1 p. of a folio sheet

*** The account includes £4 10s. for sweet powder for his Highness Head and Hand Powder, £1 2s. 6d. for Amber water and Orange flower water, £5 16s. for various combs, and £5 for five weekes lodging at Outlandes. The Duke was eight years old at the time.

382 LAUD (William) 1573-1645, Archbishop of Canterbury. A. L. s. 1 p. folio, with holograph address on the last page, *Fulham House*, 15 *Oct.* 1630. A long and important letter to Dr. Pynke, Warden of New Coll. in Oxford, *very fine. With impression of Laud's seal*

*** Laud was at the time of writing Bishop of London and Chancellor of the University of Oxford. He begins by excusing himself for the delay in answering Dr. Pinck's letters on the ground of ill-health, and adds "whear the subiect of mye Leters is suche as mye last to you was, & thiss is, I like not to make mye secretarye partye." The body of the letter relates to "College factions," especially "Morlyes case." George Morley (1597-1684), afterwards Bishop of Winchester, was a Calvinist, and, according to the D. N. B. "neither his opinions nor his wit pleased Laud, who had a prejudice against him and his friendship with John Hampden." On the two inside pages of the sheet is a holograph Draft, signed, of Dr. Pinck's answer, it is a long letter, in which he refers in detail to the matters that caused him trouble. "I cannot omitt my due thanks vnto you for your vncessant care for reducing vs all soe, in ŷ generall to our ancient good formes & orders." Robert Pinck or Pink (1573-1647), became Warden of New College, Oxford, in 1617: "He was a close ally of Laud in his measures for the reorganisation of the University, and was one of the committee of delegates charged to draw up the new statutes." (D.N.B.) These unpublished letters are of great importance as showing the care with which Laud treated even the smallest details relating to the condition of Oxford.

383 LILBURNE (Robert) 1613-65, regicide. A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *York*, 7 *July*, 1657, asking for the payment of money to his officer at York

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384 LOUIS XIV. Holograph Memoranda written in the margins of a portion of a letter from Hugues de Lionne (1611-71, Mazarin's successor as Minister for Foreign Affairs), Postscript of 8 lines in de Lionne's autograph, 18 *July*, 1667

385 MEDICI (Cosimo de) 1519-74, Duke of Florence in 1537, and afterwards Grand Duke of Tuscany. L. s. "el Duca di Fiorenza," 1 p. folio, dated *Florence*, 3 *March*, 1541, addressed to the Treasurer of Pisa, directing him to pay 1,000 scudi to Chiarissimo de' Medici, in spite of what Christofano Rinieri has written to him

386 MELANCTHON (Philip) 1497-1560, Reformer and Scholar, A. L. s. ("Philippus" only), to John à Lasky, 1 p. folio, 18 *Aug., no year or place, with a portrait and a facsimile of signature, neatly inlaid and bound in full straight-grained morocco*

*** Except that the opening and closing formulæ are in Latin, the letter is written entirely in Greek:

Since you are come to the central part of Germany, we ought to have had more intimate intercourse. But you see that the calumnies and evil dispositions of certain cheats trouble both the friendships of the pious and the Churches: such a one was he who wrote the cuckoo-cries (τὰ κοκκύγια). But I think that the leader of that party is now coming to us at the assembly of merchants. I should have hope that the Churches, which seek the truth, would be in better case, if that party did not wish to prevent the intercourse of the teachers and the pious. But I wish that love may remain firm among us mutually.

Addressed on the verso: "Illustri & Reuerendo viro Domino Iohanni a Lasky patrono suo colendo." The letter may belong to the first half of 1556, when Lasky was at Frankfort, engaged in a disputation with Velsius (possibly referred to as the writer of "Cuckoo-cries"), and trying to bring about a union between the Lutherans and his own party.—*See* D. N. B.

387 STUART FAMILY (The) An Original Manuscript written in French (*circa* 1580). The origin of the family of the *Stuarts*, by John Leslie, a Scot, Bishop of Ross. With the names of the said family which was first that one Walter Stuart married the daughter of King Robert Bruce, by means of whom the kingdom of Scotland came into the family of the Stuarts. The MS. covers 9 folio pages.

388 SCOTTISH MANUSCRIPT, with Original Drawings and Heraldic Descriptions of the Shields of the Royal House of Scotland down to Mary Stuart

*** This Scottish MS. was written in the reign of Queen Mary, and contains sixteen tricked Shields, fifteen showing the marriages of the Royal House of Scotland, from Malcolm III to Mary and Darnley. There is no note as to its author, but it formed part of the famous Heraldic Collection brought together by Peter le Neve, who was made Norroy King-at-arms by Queen Anne.

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389 ESSEX (R. Devereux, Earl of) Queen Elizabeth's Favourite, His Signature to a Privy Council Letter, 1 p. folio, *Whitehall*, 25 *Jan.* 1598, relative to the provisioning etc. of the soldiers who embarked at the Port of Margett (Margate) for Ireland

*** This letter is signed also by (1) Lord Howard of Effingham, the vanquisher of the Spanish Armada; (2) Robert Cecil Earl of Salisbury; (3) Roger Lord North, one of Queen Elizabeth's favourites; (4) Sir John Fortescue, Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Queen Elizabeth's tutor; (5) Lord Buckhurst, a Commissioner at many State Trials, including Philip Earl of Arundel, Thomas Duke of Norfolk, Mary Queen of Scots, etc. An important historical document relative to the troops which were sent to Ireland for the Tyrone Rebellion, which terminated in the Battle of Blackwater (August, 1598), where the "arch rebel," Hugh O'Neil Earl of Tyrone, defeated the English Marshal, Sir Henry Bagnell.

390 ELIZABETH (Queen) The View and Remembrance of some lawlesse proceedings that are and haue bin used of late days contrary to the course of Justice, 16 pp. folio, *circa* 1590

*** The original MS. of a presumably unpublished tract against the Court of High Commission. An important Anti-Catholic MS. dealing with the religious troubles and rebellions in Queen Elizabeth's reign.

391 BOWES (Sir Robert) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Hampton Court*, 28*th Sept.* 1551. This is relative to THE PEACE WITH SCOTLAND in 1551:

The King's Mat's. (Majesty's) pleasr. (pleasure) is that of syche (such) his Majesty's tresaure (treasure) as remaneth in yor. custody you shall deliver to or. (our) very loving friend Syr Robert Bowes knight the smme (sum) of fowrty (forty) and eight pounds dewe (due) to him for thirty and six dayes after the rate of twenty six shillings and eight pens (pence) by the day for so many dayes that he remaneth unpayd for the syrvice (service) to his Mat. (Majesty) when lately he was oon (one) of the Comissioners uppo (upon) the boordres (borders) for the seal of the peace betwene his Mat. and the Quene of Scotts. So fare ye well ffro Hampton-court the XXVIIIth (28th) of September 1551.

Addressed: "To our loving frend Armigill Waad oon (one) of the Clerks of the Kgs. Mat. (King's Majesty's) privey Counsayle."

*** The other very rare signatures to this highly important State Paper are those of:

1. William Paulet Earl of Wiltshire, afterwards 1st Marquis of Winchester. Lord High Treasurer to Edward VI, Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth.

2. John Dudley Earl of Warwick, later Duke of Northumberland, father-in-law of Lady Jane Grey, Earl Marshal and WARDEN OF THE SCOTTISH MARCHES (27th Sept. 1551). Beheaded 1553.

3. William Parr Marquis of Northampton, Great Chamberlain to Edward VI, brother of Catherine Parr (Henry VIII's sixth Queen).

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4. Henry Grey, 3rd Marquis of Dorset, later Duke of Suffolk, father of Lady Jane Grey. Beheaded 1554.

5. Sir William Herbert, later Lord Herbert and Earl of Pembroke. He married Anne, the sister of Catherine Parr (Henry VIII's sixth Queen). Lord High Chancellor to Edward VI. Like the Marquis of Northampton, he also attended the Queen-Dowager of Scotland, when she visited Edward VI in 1551.

6. Sir William Cecil, one of Edward VI's principal Secretaries of State, later Lord Burleigh, Queen Elizabeth's great minister.

7. Sir John Mason, Ambassador to the Court of France, Dean of Winchester and Prelate of the Order of the Garter, Clerk of the Privy Council.

Sir Robert Bowes, Military Commander and Lawyer, was summoned to London, in 1541, to advise the Privy Council upon the Scottish business. In 1542 he accompanied the Duke of Norfolk on his plundering raid into Scotland. Published "A Book of the State of the Frontiers and Marches betwixt England and Scotland." In June, 1551, he was one of the Commissioners appointed to make a convention with Scotland.

In the autumn of this year (1551), Mary of Guise, mother of Mary, the little Queen of Scots, who was then staying at the Court of France, availed herself of the safe-conduct promised by Edward VI, and visited him upon her return from France.

392 DUDLEY (Robert) Earl of Leicester, Queen Elizabeth's "Sweet Robin," Letter sig. 1 p. folio, dated *Hampton Court, 28th March,* 1570, addressed to the Treasurer and Chamberlain of the Queen's Exchequer. A document of the greatest Scottish interest

After our very hearty commendations, these be in the Queen's Majesty's name, to require and pray you of such her highness' treasure as presently remaineth in your hands and custody, to content and pay unto our very loving friend, William Wynter Esquire, for such charges as he hath been at, in the late setting forth to the Seas, from Bristol in order of War, to the coast of Scotland by the West seas, of two ships hired for that purpose, with two hundred men in them, victualled for two months, with all other charges, incident to that service, the sum of one hundred and twenty-eight pounds, seven shillings and fourpence. And these our letters shall be your warrant in that behalf ffrom Hampton Court, the 28th of March 1570.

Also signed by Francis Russell, Earl of Bedford; William Howard; Sir Francis Knollys; Sir James Croft, a very rare autograph; and Sir William Cecill, later Lord Burleigh

*** The letter is historically important. It is the original warrant for payment unto William Wynter (afterwards Admiral Sir William Wynter) for sailing with two ships of war, containing two hundred men, to Scotland. This was, doubtless, to prevent any possibility of aid being sent from Scotland to the rebellious Catholics of the northern shires

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of England, in 1569, under the Duke of Norfolk. Sir William Wynter had accompanied the Protector Somerset into Scotland in 1547, undertaken by the latter for the purpose of wedding the Queen of Scots to Prince Edward (Edward VI). This expedition led to the bloody battle of Musselburgh, or Pinkie Clough, so disastrous to the Scots. The signatories to the letter were men who held very high positions in Elizabeth's council. The Earl of Leicester was, of course, the Queen's "Sweet Robin." The Earl of Bedford was Lord President of Wales and Chief Justice. He had visited Mary Queen of Scots, and endeavoured to obtain her adhesion to the treaty of Edinburgh. William Lord Howard of Effingham was Lord Chamberlain at the time he signed this letter, but became Lord Privy Seal in 1572. Sir Francis Knollys was Comptroller of the Household to Queen Elizabeth. When Mary Queen of Scots fled to England, in 1568, the delicate duty of taking charge of the royal fugitive was entrusted jointly to Knollys and Henry Scrope. Sir James Croft was also Comptroller of Queen Elizabeth's Household and Lord Deputy of Ireland. While Governor of Berwick the Scottish protestants desired him to champion their cause against Mary of Guise. Croft was also one of the commissioners for the trial of the Queen of Scots, and was the only commissioner who sat in the Star Chamber at the trial of the Queen's secretary, Davison. Sir William Cecil (later Lord Burleigh) was Elizabeth's great minister.

392A BARHAM (Rev. Richard Harris) Author of "Ingoldsby Legends." Manuscript Common-place Book, compiled when at Brazen Nose College, 1807, containing upwards of 150 different Pieces: SONGS (two with music), Charades, Epigrams, Conundrums, Anagrams, Mottoes, etc. Among the more important items are: "A New Song to be sung at the Apposition Dinner of St. Paul's School," ten verses; "The Disconsolate Student," a parody on Cowper's "I am Monarch of all I survey"; "The Genius of Britain"; "The Pilot that weather'd the Storm," by G. Canning; "Prior's Address to St. Paul's Scholars" (Prior was a stage-coach driver on the Cambridge road); "Brazen Nose Ale"; "We're all in the dumps for diamonds are trumps," etc. *Many of the items are signed (initials) and probably unpublished*; on 120 4to sheets, illustrated with 16 rough pen-and-ink drawings by Wilson, *4to, half bound*

392B BARHAM (Rev. Richard Harris) "THE GOLDEN LEGEND," No. 2, A Lay of St. Gengulphus, three proof sheets, with corrections for the printer, with his endorsement "A couple in slips as early as possible"; and "A Legend of Bleeding-heart Yard," 4 pp. with slight corrections (2)

392C CRUIKSHANK (G.) A. Note, sending his compliments to Rev. R. H. Barham; Invitation to Cruikshank's silver wedding; and a collection of some hundreds of his Engravings from "The Tower of London," "Jack Sheppard," etc. *in a folio album*

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Fetteresso Castle, Stonehaven, N.B.

THE ABERCROMBIE PAPERS.

This very important correspondence consists of the letters addressed to Major-General James Abercrombie, while he was Commander-in-Chief of the British forces in America, from March to November, 1758, in succession to Earl Loudoun, who was recalled. Abercrombie was born in Scotland in 1706, entered theArmy, became Colonel in 1746, Major-General 1756, Lieut.-General 1759, and General in 1772. During his period of command the famous capture of Louisbourg took place under Wolfe. He is principally remembered, however, by the disastrous expedition against Ticonderoga, on July 8th, 1758. Abercrombie was in command of no less than 15,000 men, of whom 9,000 were American militiamen, but going into action without waiting for his artillery to come up, he was badly defeated by the French. This defeat led to his recall and the appointment of Lord Amherst to succeed him. The Earl of Chatham, in sending his recall, informs him that the King has a just sense of his zeal for his service, and hopes that, when the proper opportunity may offer, some gracious mark of the King's royal favour may be bestowed upon him. Abercrombie, on his return to England at the end of 1758, became a member of Parliament, and supported the coercive policy towards the American colonies. Among the most important of the letters are a remarkable letter from Wolfe, 8 pp. 4to, from Louisbourg, Sept. 30th, a fine letter from General James Murray, also from Louisbourg, Sept. 24th, and others of Marquis de Vaudreuil, Governor-General of Canada, Marquis de Montcalm, who repulsed Abercrombie at Ticonderoga, General Amherst, General Lawrence, General Viscount Howe (killed at Ticonderoga), General Forbes, and numerous letters from the governors of the various provinces, which throw light on the great difficulty of raising the local troops, and of maintaining discipline among them.

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The whole of the correspondence will first be offered in one lot, but if the reserve price is not realized each lot will be sold separately as catalogued.

393 **ABERCROMBIE** (James) Major-General, Commander-in-chief of the British Forces in North America, an important Manuscript of 151 pp. "An Examination of the Acts of Parliament Relative to the Trade and the Government of our American Colonies; also the Different Constitutions of Government in these Colonies Considered, with Remarks, by way of a Bill for Amendment of the Laws of this Kingdom in relation to the Government and Trade of the Colonies, which Bill is humbly submitted to the Consideration of His Majesty's Ministers of State, more particularly those in office, before whom the several matters herein treated are properly cognizable, and for whose use this performance is intended by their most Obedient Servant, Jas. Abercromby, 1752," signed by Abercrombie, with numerous corrections in his hand, in a folio vol. *half bound*

393A **ABERCROMBIE.** Draft Letter, partly in his hand, 4 pp. folio, *New York, 30th April*, 1758, to Brig.-General Lawrence, by Major Robertson, announcing Earl Loudoun's departure for England, thanks Lawrence for his services in Boston, admits they are further back, and in a worse condition than when he landed two years before

394 **ABERCROMBIE.** L. s. *New York, 14th April*, 1758, to Captain Dagworthy, ordering him to pay Eight Dollars Bounty Money to each man enlisted, with a copy of Abercrombie's Orders issued July 3rd, 1758, five days before the attack on Ticonderoga (2)

395 **ABERCROMBIE.** A Return of the number of Men raised by the Colonies in North America for the service of the year 1758, large folio, *damaged by damp.*—Account of Provisions Issued to the Massachusetts Forces at Worcester, Northampton, Castle William and Albany, on their march to join Abercrombie, 9 pp. folio.—**WILLIAMS** (Quartermaster E.) Account of the Charges of Quartering the Forces raised by the Massachusetts Province, 4½ pp. folio, etc. (4)

396 **ABERCROMBIE.** Copies of Circular Letters to the Northern Governors, *New York, March 15th*; to the Governors of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and the President of the Council of Virginia, *March 15th*; to Governor Lyttelton and Governor Debbs, *March 16th*; to the Governors of Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island, *March 22nd*; another to the same on *March 29th*; to the Governors of New Hampshire, etc. *May 8th*; and the same *June 30th*, 1758, referring to the raising of men, etc. (7)

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397 ABERCROMBIE. Sixteen Copies of Letters addressed to the Rt. Hon. William Pitt, *an important series, giving particulars of the campaign* (16)

398 ABERCROMBIE. A very large Collection of Warrants and Copies of Official Letters to various Generals, Governors, etc. *a parcel*

399 ALBANY CONGRESS. Quotas of the Provinces in North America, as settled in the Plan of Union, at the Congress at Albany in *June* and *July*, 1754, 3 pp. folio; Nova Scotia, an Account of Military Services, the charge of which is stated in the Estimate for Nova Scotia for 1758, 2 pp. folio; Return of the Provincial Troops encamped at Lake George, *June*, 1758, 1 p. folio.—Return of the Provincial Troops that served under Brig.-General Forbes in the Campaign, 1758, *London*, 27*th March*, 1759, 2 pp. folio, signed by Brigade-Major Halkett.—Return of the Fit for Duty in the Army at Lake George and at the posts downwards to Albany, 6*th Oct.* 1758, signed by Brig.-Major H. Monypenny.—Staff and Return of the Troops destined for the Siege of Louisbourg, 3 pp. folio.—List of the Extra Staff under Gen. Abercrombie serving from *June–Dec.* 1758, 3 pp. folio.—List of the Officers of the Royal Americans by Seniority, 1 p. folio.—Return of the Names of the Officers Killed or Wounded at Ticonderoga, *July* 8*th*, 1758, 2 pp. folio.—List of Officers for H. M. Regiment of Light Armed Foot in America, and List of Officers in the Batteau Service *a parcel*

400 ALLEN (William) Chief Justice, A. L. s. 2 pp. 4to, *Philadelphia*, *March* 26*th*, 1758, to Abercrombie, regretting his inability to expedite the Trial of Capt. Gmellin, "As I clearly perceive from the depositions of many evidences already taken before me that he has been wickedly and unjustly aspersed," with a Letter of Capt. Gmellin to General Abercrombie, thanking him for interceding on his behalf to Chief Justice Allen (2)

401 AMHERST (Jeffrey, Lord) Field-Marshal, succeeded Abercrombie as Commander-in-Chief, Five A. L. s. to General Abercrombie, sending notice of the Capture of Louisbourg and the Movements of the Troops, written from *The Camp before Louisbourg*, *July–Sept.* 1758, *all badly damaged by damp*; with a series of Six Copies of Letters from General Abercrombie to Lord Amherst, written from *Camp at Lake George*, *July–Sept.* 1758; and Two from *Albany* in *Oct.* and *Nov.* 1758, covering 9 pp. folio (11)

402 APTHORP (Charles) Merchant of Boston, Three Letters to Gen. Abercrombie; others of Mary Bever of New York, to Abercrombie, pleading for his help in regard to her Husband, who has been taken prisoner; Captain George Darby, of H.M.S. "Norwich"; W. Byrd, to Lord Loudoun; R. L. Conway; Benjamin Hallowell, of Boston, three Letters to Abercrombie, Captain Somerville Macqueen, and Thomas Mackie; John Ormsby, etc. (18)

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403 ATKIN (Edmond) Indian Agent, A. L. s. 5 pp. 4to, *Charlestown, 25th March*, 1758, to the Earl of Loudoun, important Letter, giving particulars of the movements of the Indians, with a Copy of his Message to the Cherokees, signed (2)

404 ATKINS (Christopher) of H.M.S. "Diana," A. L. s. 2½ pp. folio, *Philadelphia, 3rd April*, 1758, to General Abercrombie, describing affairs on the Delaware, and the impressing of men

405 BARRINGTON (William Wildman, Viscount) Secretary for War, Two L. s. *War Office, April and Sept.* 1758, to Abercrombie, regretting the defeat at Ticonderoga and the loss of Lord Howe, with copy of Barrington's Letter to Major-Gen. Elliott; Six Copies of Abercrombie's Letters to Barrington; and a Copy of Earl Loudoun's Letter to Abercrombie (10)

406 BERNARD (Sir Francis) Governor of Massachusetts Bay and New Jersey, A. L. s. *Perth Amboy, June 17th*, 1758, to Gen. Abercrombie, announcing his appointment to the Governorship of New Jersey, and that he has received very melancholy accounts of the barbarities committed by the Indians on the frontiers of our province; with a Copy of Abercrombie's reply to the letter (2)

407 BLAIR (John) President of the Council of Virginia, L. s. 1½ pp. folio, *June*, 1758, to Abercrombie, as to the payments due to the Colony

408 BOSCAWEN (Edward) Admiral, Commander-in-Chief of the Fleet at Louisburg, A. L. s. *Namure, 18th May*, 1758, to General Wolfe:

As all the Troops are arrived except one Company of Anstruthers . . . I propose to sail from hence in a few days, and as soon as the troops have taken Port on the Island of Cape Breton I intend to make a strong detachment to the Gulph of St. Lawrence, in hopes to amuse the troops at Quebec and by that means to facilitate the operation of the ensuing campaigne under your command, if we have the success at Louisbourg we have reason to expect, I will endeavour to give the enemy more than amusement in Canada, by the returns of *the Army* here made me, we are more than two thousand men deficient of the number proposed in England and near one Company of the train, but I conclude this to be a wrong calculation of the Strength of the Regiment. . . . I conclude that the calculation in England of fourteen thousand for the service, included Commissioned and non-Commissioned Officers, etc.

A. L. s. *Louisbourg, 13th August*, 1758, 1 p. 4to:

Mr. Amherst sends Captain McIntosh to you with any particulars relating to our future operations, I shall only add we can do no more to assist you. I am getting the Transports watered and victualled in order for them to proceed, etc. (2)

409 BOSOMWORTH (Captain W.) Royal American Regiment, A. L. s. 3½ pp. folio, *Williamsburgh, 9th April*, 1758, to Abercrombie, referring to the Cherokees; with Copy of a Letter from President Blair to Bosomworth (2)

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410 BRADSTREET (John) Lieut.-Colonel, commanded regiment of Batteau men, captured Fort Frontenac, Nine A. L. s. *July-Sept.* 1758, to Abercrombie, giving particulars of the capture of Frontenac, etc., return of the troops under Bradstreet's command; and two Copies of Abercrombie's Letters to him

411 BURTON (Colonel R.) Six A. L. s. to General Abercrombie and others, from *Halifax, Green Bush Camp, etc.* between *April and October*, 1758, concerning the movement of transports and troops; with Copies of Letters from Sir William Johnson and Colonel Forster (8)

412 COLDON (Alexander) Deputy Postmaster at New York, Five A. L. s. *New York, April-Nov.* 1758, to General Abercrombie, referring to postal matters and the sending of despatches to England, etc. — APTHORP (Chas. W.) Two A. L. s. *New York, 2-4th Oct.* 1758, to Gen. Abercrombie

413 CONNECTICUT. A. L. s. from the Commissioners of the Colony (E. Silliman and J. Trumble), *New York*, 11 *April*, 1758, to Gen. Abercrombie, in reference to troops raised in the Colony, 1½ pp. folio. — SILLIMAN (E.) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Fairfield, Oct.* 1758, to Abercrombie, in reference to monies due to the town; with Copy of Abercrombie's reply and Copy of Governor Fitch's reply (4)

414 CRUICKSHANK (Captain Charles) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *New York, 19th April*, 1757, to Earl Loudoun; and two Copies of other Letters of his (3)

415 DE LANCEY (James) Governor and Chief Justice of New York. A very important series of twenty-seven Letters, twenty-four of which are holograph, to Abercrombie, from *New York*, between *May and Sept.* 1758

On May 22nd he writes:

I . . . wrote a very civil letter to the Corporation of the City for their Arms, to which I received a very civil denial; however I desired the Mayor to call another Common Council the next day, when I went to them in person and after saying, what I conceived suitable to the occasion, I left them; and in a short time the Mayor & Corporation came to me, and acquainted me, that they had consented to part with their Arms at a certain price. . . . . people here are in great fears, supposing that if the French Fleet are disappointed by ours from entering Louisbourg, they will bend their force on some of the British Ports along this Continent. This has made an impression on their minds, that it does not seem prudent to use force to oblige them to deliver their Arms. . .

On June 26th he reports numerous attacks by Indians in the western parts of Ulster County. On 7th August he regrets that Abercrombie is distressed with some of the provincial troops, who will pay no regard to his commands. On 16th July he refers to the retreat from Ticonderoga, and his regret at the death of Lord Howe. On August the 20th

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he speaks of the strange conduct of the Connecticut men, "first to discover themselves so simply, and afterwards to behave so wretchedly and abandon their Officer Putnam; who, I fear, is lost." On Aug. 28th, referring to the fall of Louisbourg, he says: "I am now going to celebrate the Event by firing guns & drinking healths." On Sept. 14th he refers to Colonel Bradstreet's success in taking Fort Frontenac, which he thinks will be a great loss to the enemy. On Oct. 26th he refers to the great hardships that the regiment of the Province of New York has suffered, and asks that they may speedily be disbanded, *an extremely important correspondence*

Twenty-three Copies of Letters from Abercrombie to De Lancey, and five other Copies of Letters from Governor Denny; and others (55)

416 DENNY (William) Governor of Pennsylvania, Seven L. s. to Abercrombie, *Philadelphia, March* and *April*, 1758, announcing that the Assembly had authorised the raising of 2,700 men; "numbers of Indians are expected in this province every day, and as they are fond of treaties, and Teedyuscung will do nothing, but in the most popular and publick manner, I desire particular instructions how to conduct myself on this occasion," with a further long Letter in reference to the Indians, and one concerning the Dispute between the Proprietaries and Assembly (7)

417 DENNY (W.) Copies of Messages from the Governor to the Assembly, with Copies of the Replies; Eight Copies of Letters from Abercrombie to Gov. Denny, etc. *a parcel*

418 FORBES (John) Adjutant-General and Brigadier, led expedition to Fort Du Quesne, died in Philadelphia, 1759, a fine series of Twenty-two A. L. s. and L. s. to General Abercrombie, covering 63 pp. 4to and folio, written between *April* and *November*, 1758; on *Nov. 17th*, he writes from *Loyal Hannan* that his advanced post is only twenty miles from the Fort du Quesne, "so a few days determines their fate or mine." On *Oct. 8th* he speaks of:

The Indians I cannot mention to you with any manner of patience, as I look upon them, their interpreters, their superintendents, and every creature any ways connected or attached to them as the most imposing Rogues that I have ever had to deal with.

*** The letters give a very full account of the grave difficulties that he encountered in this campaign during the latter part of which his health was very unsatisfactory. With 23 Copies of Abercrombie's Letters, and one other (58)

419 FORSTER (Colonel William) A. L. s. 1½ pp. folio, *Fort Hendrick, 19th October*, 1758, to Abercrombie, referring to the fatigue and difficulty of marching to Oneida Station, with a copy of a letter from General Stanwix to Forster (2)

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420 FRASER (Colonel S.) A. L. s. 4 pp. 4to, from *on Board the Halifax, off Nantucket Lighthouse, April* 23, 1758, to Abercrombie, giving full particulars of his Regiment of Highlanders, with 3 copies of Letters from Abercrombie to Fraser.—GREEN (Captain) Engineer of Long Island, Three A. L. s. to Abercrombie, *June, July and August*, 1758, referring to some dispute as to his Rank (7)

421 FURNIS (James) Comptroller of H. M. Ordnance in North America, Eight A. L. s. *New York & Albany, July to Sept.* 1758, to Abercrombie, referring to matters in connection with his Office, with copies of Two Warrants for the delivery of Stores, from Abercrombie (10)

422 GATES (Captain Horatio) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Herkemars*, 23 *June*, 1758, to General Stanwix :

An Indian that is this morning arrived from Onondaga brings intelligence that The Enemy are assembling an Army at Oswego, in order to make an Irniption (*sic*) down this River, etc.

423 GEORGE II. Instructions for Our Trusty and Wellbeloved James Abercrombie, Esq. Major-General of our Forces, whom We have appointed General and Commander-in-Chief of all and Singular Our Forces, employed, or to be employed in North America, Given at Our Court at St. James's the Thirtieth day of December, 1757, 12 pp. folio, *Signed in full, and initialled with Seal*; Copy of Instructions given to Brig.-General Whitmore at St. James's 27th Jany. 1758, 3 pp. folio (2)

424 GEORGE II. Warrant for Settling the Rank of Provincial Officers in North America, Given at Our Court at St. James's the Thirtieth day of December, 1757, 5 pp. folio; also signed William Pitt, Earl of Chatham

425 HALDIMAND (Sir Frederick) Lieutenant-General, distinguished at Ticonderoga and Oswego, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in Canada, 1778-85, A. L. s. *Philadelphia, 24th April*, '58, 1 p. 4to, to Gen. Abercrombie, with L. s. 1 p. folio, *20th April*, to the same, both in French, and referring to the movement of Transports (2)

426 HANCOCK (Thomas) Agent for Nova Scotia. A Series of Fifteen L. s. to Abercrombie, *Boston, April-Sept.* 1758, in reference to Stores for the Troops, with copies of three letters (18)

427 HARDY (Sir Charles) Admiral, Governor of New York, A. L. s. *London, Dec. 2nd*, 1757, to General Abercrombie :

. . . the general operations in America do not give satisfaction, they think the Military is slow, and our enemy's brisk, they want some offensive attempts and nothing else will please, etc.

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428 HOPKINS (Stephen) Governor and Chief Justice, Three L. s. *Providence, March* 20 *and* 27, *June 9th*, 1758, to Abercrombie, informing him that The Assembly of Rhode Island proposed to raise a thousand men :

To encourage men to enlist into this Service they have ordered a Bounty of eighteen milled Dollars to be given to each Man and Five Dollars and an half monthly wages with several other smaller Encouragements and Immunities

On March 27th he acknowledges receipt of Abercrombie's Warrants to the Sheriffs of the Colony to take into their custody all beef, pork, flour, bread and rice (3)

429 Hopson (P. T.) Major-General, Six A. L. s. *Halifax, April 4th-May 13th*, to Abercrombie, complaining of being neglected :

Here I am without having yet heard one word from any Person from England in regard to my Destination . . . . I know not what can be the cause, etc.

In his letter of May 2nd he announces the arrival of General Lawrence with his Troops from Boston, and on the 13th he sends information that Admiral Boscawen has arrived with his Squadron, with three Copies of his Letters to Earl Loudoun, Memorial of the Rev. John Breyton to Abercrombie, Copies of two letters from Abercrombie to Hopson, etc. (16)

430 INDIANS. Report of a Conference held in the State House, Philadelphia, with Teedyuscung and the Indians, on Tuesday, 11th July, 1758, 8 pp. folio; Report of a meeting between Sir Wm. Johnson and a number of Oneidas, Tuscaroras, Cayougas, Delawares, Schoharees, Mohawks, etc. at Fort Johnson, March 1758, 8 pp. folio, with letters to Capt. Fonda, Peter Wraxall, Secretary for Indian Affairs, sending a Message from the Quakers of Pennsylvania to the Six Nations; Copies of Letters from Sir Wm. Johnson, A. L. s. of General Abercrombie to Sir Wm. Johnson, and 16 Copies of Letters from General Abercrombie to Johnson *a parcel*

431 JARVIS (Colonel Leonard) A. L. s. 1 p. folio, to Governor Pownall, referring to the establishing Magazines at Worcester and Northampton

432 JOHNSON (Sir William, *Bart.*) Superintendent of Indian Affairs in North America, led the Indians under Amherst in Canada in 1760. A fine Series of Twenty-one Letters (some holograph) written from *Fort George* between 24th March and 17th September, 1758, giving particulars as to the movements of Indians at Lake Erie; Report of the present state of H.M. Indian Interest relative to the Six Nations and the Indians of the Northern District; The Effect on the Indians of the Defeat sustained at Oswego (4)

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433 HOWE (George Augustus, *Viscount*) Brigadier-General, killed on the March to Ticonderoga, Two A. L. s. to Abercrombie, *Camp of the Upper Falls, May 28th and 30th*, 1758 (2)

. . . . there is no appearance of fresh Troops being yet come up, in order to make use of this advantage all means possible should be employed to procure a large number of carriages, without which I fear much time will be spent at the Carrying Place from Fort Edward to the Lake. Near 80 boats put off from hence this morning for Fort Edward and we shall continue forwarding them thither constantly.

He goes on to give the present distribution of the Troops. The Letter of May 30th reads:

All the provisions, artillery & Stores are sett off from hence & will be at Fort Edward to night. As there is no further occasion here for the Waggons at present, they are ordered down to Tamboga to refresh I wait to know your further orders & am with great respect &c.

434 HUTCHINSON (Thomas) Governor of Massachusetts Bay, his removal petitioned for by the Massachusetts Assembly in 1773, after Franklin's exposure of his correspondence with Whatley, Five A. L. s. to Abercrombie, *July* 1758 to 3 *Jany.* 1759, from *Boston*, referring to a great number of desertions from Colonel Doby's Regiment, the Capture of Louisbourg, Payment of billeting accounts, etc. with Copies of the Examinations of Prince Lothrop, John Carsly, and Robert Wright, deserters; and Two Copies of Abercrombie's Letters to Hutchinson *a parcel*

435 KILBY (Christopher) Director of Stores. L. s. *Greenwich, New York, 23rd Oct.* 1758, to Abercrombie, with Copy of another Letter; and two Copies of Abercrombie's Letters to Capt. Christie in reference to stores (4)

436 LAWRENCE (Charles) Brigadier-General, Governor of Nova Scotia, Commanded Expedition which built Fort Lawrence, d. 1760. Very fine A. L. s. 3½ pp. folio, *Boston, April* 21, 1758, to General Abercrombie, referring to disagreements with Captain Loring as to the amount to pay for transports; Orders to be given out to the troops on their arrival off Louisbourg, by Brig.-Genl. Lawrence, interesting MS. 6½ pp. folio; L. s. (initials) to Major-General Amherst, *Halifax, 12th Sept.* 1758, 3½ pp. 4to, referring to the arrival of transports and the movements of troops (3)

437 LAWRENCE (Colonel Charles) Governor of Nova Scotia, commanded expedition which built Fort Lawrence at the head of the Bay of Fundy. A fine Series of nine A. L. s. to Abercrombie, *Boston, March and April*, 1758, referring to the preparations for the attack on Louisbourg, with copies of Abercrombie's letters, etc. *a parcel*

438 LORING (Captain Joshua) A. L. s. *New York, March 4th*, 1758, 1 p. 4to, to Abercrombie; A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, to General Lawrence; and L. s. to Abercrombie, regretting that he had not carried out duties satisfactorily

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439 LOUDOUN (John Campbell, fourth Earl) Commander-in-Chief in America, superseded 1758. L. sub. and s. 2½ pp. 4to, *London, 9th June*, 1758, to Abercrombie, referring to incomplete recruiting accounts:

. . . . . Secondly, Whereas there was an agreement entred into wth. Colonel Prevost to Procure from Germany a number of Recruits at a certain stipulated Sum; By information received since, it appearing that several Charges have been made in consequence of the said agreement for People some of whom never came from Germany to serve His Majesty, and others by Mistake have been by Different Names charged twice, tho' the same Persons. I am therefore to beg you . . . to appoint a Court of Inquiry, composed of Officers of Distinction . . . to Inspect and Report their opinion on these matters, etc.

A. L. with holograph postscript, *Boston, March 10th*, 1758, to the same, stating that he had applied to Governor Lyttelton and Mr. Atkins:

For as large a Body of the Cherokee Indians as could be prevailed on to march according to their Promise in the Fall to the Provinces of Virginia and Pennsylvania in Order to assist in Carrying on the War on the Ohio.

With two Extracts from letters received from Mr. Secretary Pitt (3)

440 LOUDOUN. List of Commissions granted by His Excellency, 1757, 6 pp. folio; List of Commissions given by General Abercrombie, 1758, 2½ pp. folio; List of Vacancys and Absent Officers, and a Return of Provisions in Store at Schenectady, *Dec.* 1757, 1 p. folio; etc. (5)

441 LYTTELTON (William Henry, first Lord) A. L. s. (duplicate), 3 pp. 4to, *Charles Town, May 16th*, 1758, to Abercrombie, congratulating him upon his appointment:

I hope the Command you are engaged in will be productive of equal honour to yourself and benefit to the King's Affairs; The difficulties which his servants upon this Continent have to encounter are certainly great, but Activity and resolution may surmount them all and allow me to congratulate you that the efforts of Great Britain to support the War appear to be portioned as far as the Condition of things will admit of to the exigencies of it. . . . .

A. L. s. *Charles Town, March 21st*, 1758, to Lord Loudoun, complaining of the conduct of Colonel Bouquet; with A. L. s. and five L. s. to General Abercrombie, 16 pp. folio; Account of the charges for accommodating the king's forces in the Province of South Carolina; and Copy of a Letter from Colonel Bouquet to Governor Lyttelton (11)

442 MONCKTON (Robert) Lieutenant-General, Second in Command of Wolfe's Expedition, and Governor of New York. Explanation and Remarks on an Estimate for Military Services of Nova Scotia for 1758, referred to Gen. Abercrombie by Mr. Secretary Pitt, 4 pp. folio, signed by Monckton; A. L. s. 11 pp. folio, *St. John's River, Oct. 15th*, 1758, to General Abercrombie, important letter referring to the movements being made on the river, with an original Drawing of the old French fort, and a Plan of a New Fort that was building;

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L. s. and two Copies of Letters to Abercrombie; six Copies of Letters from Abercrombie to Monckton; Journal of the Proceedings of the Fleet and Army off Louisbourg, from May 28th to June 13th, 1758; Plan of the Harbour of St. Johns in the Bay of Fundy; Return of the Forces under Monckton at the River St. John, *Sept. 24th*, 1758, signed by Monckton; and Major Robert Rogers' Account against the four Ranging Companies gone to Cape Britton (18)

443 MONTCALM (Louis Joseph, Marquis de) repulsed attack on Ticonderoga. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Cerillon, ce 2 Octobre*, 1758, to Abercrombie, by Lieutenant Small, thanking him for allowing letters to go through to their prisoners; with five Copies of Letters from Abercrombie to Montcalm, referring to the treatment and exchanging of prisoners (6)

444 MONTGOMERY (Colonel Archibald) Two A. L. s. 3 pp. 4to, *Charlestown, April 27th, and May 16th*, 1758, to Abercrombie, informing him that an embargo had been laid on all shipping by Governor Lyttelton, and:

The Masters of Ships are unwilling to enter into the Service, they do nothing but what they are forced to—and they refuse to take Care of the Ships till they have crossed the Bar, etc. (2)

445 MONTRESOR (Colonel James Gabriel) designed and constructed Fort George. Series of ten A. L. s. to General Abercrombie, written from *Fort George, Aug. and Sept.* 1758, referring to works carried out there; with a Plan of a proposed fort at the Oneida Carrying Place by Lieut. Williams; A. L. s. Engineer Williams; Copy of a Letter from the Board of Ordnance; and Copies of eight Letters from Abercrombie to Montresor (21)

446 MORRIS (Colonel Arthur) Three A. L. s. *Camp, near Albany, 12th and 13th Oct.* 1758, to Abercrombie, reporting that General Stanwix's Station at Oneida was invested by the enemy (3)

447 MURRAY (James) General, distinguished himself at Louisbourg and against Quebec, Governor of Canada, 1763-6, A. L. s. 5 pp. folio, *Louisbourg, Sept.* 24th, 1758, to Brigadier-General Wolfe:

I have the honour to acquaint you that all the fleet except the small Sloops which parted from us at Sea, and did not join us till we were on our return to Louisbourg made Miramick Bay the 15th. inst. and came to an anchor in an open roadstead Seven Leagues from the Settlement and three from the Barr exposed Sixteen points of the compass. Capt. Vaughan express'd much uneasiness at the Situation of the Ships, but as the weather was moderate and promised to continue so some time he eagerly embraced the opportunity and agreed with me, that we should immediately with the Artillery Sloop, and the boats of the Fleet proceed up the River, and attack the Settlement, representing to me the necessity of returning quickly as the Ships in the situation they were in without boats or men could not possibly

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escape being lost should the Gales of wind blow which are naturally to be expected at this Season of the Year. As we had in the morning chased a Privateer in the River which in company with a Sloop we saw fire several guns, I mounted the two six pounders in our Sloop and contrived to embark three hundred men in her and the boats.... We landed and found all the inhabitants except the King's Surgeon had deserted it. This man told me that the inhabitants consist of the neutral French who fled from Nova Scotia, that they expected no quarter from us & had therefore run away.... We however destroyed their provisions, wigwhams and Houses, the Church which was a very handsome one built with stone did not escape.

*** An extremely important and fine letter.

448 NAPIER (James) Director of H.M. Hospitals in North America. four A. L. s. 8 pp. 4to, *Albany, August–October*, 1758, to Abercrombie, referring to the Welfare of the Sick under his charge; with three Tables giving the number of Sick in August, September and October; and a Copy of a Letter from Abercrombie (8)

449 NEW HAMPSHIRE. Petition of the Inhabitants of No. Four and Walpole on Connecticut, 1 p. folio, *May 4th*, 1758, to Abercrombie, *with 26 signatures:*

The Government of Connecticut have drew off the Forces that were stationed Here. So that we are left in almost Destitute and defenceless Condition, we have not One Soldier Left us for our protection, and we do not hear that we are likely to have any sent us, and we are left so few in numbers that we are not In a Condition to Defend our Forts and Ye King's Stores and Ordinance that are left in them. In Case of An Assault From Ye Enemy, much less Shall we be able to Prosecute our Husbandrey Seasonably and Consequently Shall loose our Summers Improvements which will render us incapable of Subsisting our Selves and Families, etc.

450 PETITION of Batteau Captains Wilmot, Davis, Gregg, Little, Tapley, Clyde and Friswell, praying him to direct payment to the Men they had enlisted, signed by the Petitioners, with Capt. Wilmot's Letter in sending the Petition, 17*th Nov.* 1758 (2)

451 PITT (William, Earl of Chatham) An important Series of Ten L. s. to Abercrombie, *written from Whitehall between 30th Dec.* 1757 *and Sept. 18th*, 1758, the first letter refers to the recall of Earl Loudoun and Abercrombie appointed to succeed him. On Sept. 18th, after Pitt had received news of the defeat at Ticonderoga, he writes:

I am now to acquaint you, that the King has judged proper, that you should return to England; but I have, at the same time, the satisfaction to inform you, that his Majesty has a just sense of your Zeal for his Service, and, I hope you will, when any proper Opportunity may offer, receive some gracious Mark of the Kings Royal Favor.

On another letter of the same date:

The King saw with much concern that an Enterprize of the greatest importance, had unhappily miscarried, with so considerable a Loss of Brave Officers and Soldiers.

with six Copies of Letters from Pitt to the same (16)

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452 POST (Frederick) Journal of his Journey from Philadelphia to Wioming, 4 pp. folio, *June 20th*, 1758. Lists of the Officers and Soldiers killed, missing and returned from the Action near Fort Du Quesne, July 1758, and in the Action of Sept. 14th, 1758. Return of the Casualties at Loyal Hannan, 12th Oct. 1758. List of Officers recommended by Hon. Col. Montgomery. Particulars of Artillery supplied to New York, Halifax and Pennsylvania, 3 pp. folio. Rolle de la Garnison du Frontenac (copy), 3 pp. folio; etc. (13)

453 POWNALL (Thomas) 1722-1805, Lieut.-Governor of New York and Governor of Massachusetts and South Carolina. A Series of Twenty Holograph and Ten L. s. covering 58 pp. folio and 4to, *written from Boston, between March 12th and Nov. 20th*, 1758, to His Excellency General Abercrombie and Capt. Cunningham, all on subjects relating to the War, viz.—The Raising of Men; The Expected Arrival of Admiral Boscawen with fresh Troops; Mutiny in Colonel Fowle's Regiment at Marblehead; Capture of Prize Ships; Impressing of Men; The Successful Progress of our Forces on Cape Breton Island; A Letter of July 10 refers to the "vigour, Dispatch and Conduct with which Affairs under General Abercrombie have gone on. I wish he was stronger in numbers for I am clear he must expect Ye whole force of Canada to oppose him"; The General Assembly of Massachusetts; The King ordering "that Men might be raised by the Province in the same Proportion and Manner as is done to the rest of the King's Forces"; The General's Departure for England; etc. (30)

454 POWNALL (T.) Copy of Return made by the Adjt.-General to His Excellency the Governor, with Holograph Notes by Governor Pownall concerning the Absentees, most of whom were "Quakers and Men gone away from ye Province to Rhode Island when they heard of the Impress," *May*, 1758, double folio.—Pownall's Orders to the Troops of the Massachusetts Company, A. L. s. of Finch, Francis and Son, of Philadelphia, concerning supplies for the Fleet, *April*, 1758.—Copies of Despatches from General Abercrombie to Governor Pownall, etc. *a parcel*

455 PREVOST (John) Brigadier-General. Two L. s. *Fort Edward, Aug. 15 and 20th*, 1758, to Abercrombie, with a Report of an examination of two prisoners; and twenty-five Copies of Letters from Abercrombie to Prevost (28)

456 READING (John) President of the Jerseys. Three L. s. to Abercrombie, *Burlington, March and April*, 1758, announcing that the Assembly had voted their regiment to be 1000 strong:

Every American must be warmed with the generous and kind efforts of His Majesty to Succour them and 'tis their duty effectually

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to Second them and of this the Inhabitants of this Colony are fully Convinced. It is my duty to return you my own and all the Colony's thanks for their kind regard you Express for them.

with two Copies of Abercrombie's Letters to Reading, in which he expresses himself strongly that 1000 men are short of what he expected from the Colony, *a very interesting correspondence* (5)

457 SHARPE (Horatio) Governor of Annapolis, A. L. s. 2 pp. folio. *Annapolis, 22nd March,* 1758, to General Stanwix, "with regard to the Pay that has become due to our Forces since the 8th October," with Copy of Letter from General Abercrombie on the inactivity and perverseness of the Assembly (2)

458 SOUTH CAROLINA. Copy of a Message from Governor Lyttelton to the Assembly of the Province of South Carolina, *March* 1758, referring to the proper accommodation for officers and the movements of the Royal American Regiment, with a copy of the Reply by the Assembly to Govr. Lyttelton, 2½ pp. folio (2)

460 STANWIX (John) Lieutenant-General, Colonel-Commandant Royal American Regt., an important series of Nineteen Holograph Letters to Abercrombie, written during 1758, from *New York, Albany, Oneida Camp, etc.,* giving particulars on all phases of the campaign; A. L. s. of Lieut. Hay; Report of Captain Lotteridge's Scout; with 23 copies of Abercrombie's Letters to Stanwix, Observations of Capt. Green on Col. Montresor's plan for building a fort at Oneida Camp, etc. *a parcel*

461 VAUDREUIL (Pierre François Rigaud, Marquis de) Governor-General of Canada, Autograph Orders s. *Montreal, 10th June,* 1758, to Lieutenant Wolfe, carrying a flag of truce; an important series of Eight L. s. from the Marquis de Vaudreuil to General Abercrombie and the Commander of Fort Edward (in French), written from *Montreal,* between *Jan. and Nov.* 1758, referring to the capitulation of Fort William Henry, the exchange of prisoners, etc., covering 33 pp. folio, *some damaged by damp*; copies of Six Letters from Abercrombie to the Marquis, from *New York, Fort Edward and Lake George,* written between *April and Nov.* 1758; on April 24th, he announces the departure of Earl Loudoun, and that he has been appointed to succeed him; on June 26th, he refers in strong terms to the capitulation of Fort William Henry, which he looks upon as null and void, and threatens retaliation if any violence is offered to the prisoners captured; on Sept. 2nd, 1758, Abercrombie declines an exchange of prisoners, etc.; Liste des Officiers pris à l'affaire de la Belle

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Riviere le 14 7bre, 1758, 1 p. folio, signed by the Marquis de Vaudreuil, and Rolle des Prisonniers Anglais remis au Colonel Schuler, 8 pp. folio, signed by the Marquis and Colonel Schuler; AN EXTREMELY INTERESTING COLLECTION (17)

462 VAUGHAN (Captain John), H.M.S. "Juno," Two A. L. s., with others of Joseph Henegan, J. Taggart, Thos. Ogilvy, Ensign Francis Hutchinson, Major Tulleken, Henry Fletcher, John Young, Captain John Wrightson, Colonel G. Williamson, Lieut. J. Williams, Captain Anthony Wheelock, Joseph Wheelwright, Terrall Wade, Lt.-Col. Townshend, J. Bryant, Henry van Schaack, Capt. David Pryce, James Pitcher, Capt. R. Mirrie, Capt. R. Maitland, Lt.-Col. D. James, Col. Thomas Gage, and others, with copies of Earl Loudoun's and Abercrombie's Letters, etc. *a parcel*

463 WALLACE (Hugh) Two A. L. s. *New York, Oct. and Nov.* 1758, to John Appy, secretary to Abercrombie, referring to the purchase of cyder for the troops (2)

464 WENTWORTH (Benning) Governor of New Hampshire, Five L. s. *Portsmouth, March-May*, 1758, to Abercrombie, referring to affairs in the Province (5)

465 WHITMORE (Edward) Brigadier-General, Governor of Louisbourg, A. L. s. 1 p. folio, *Louisbourg, 2nd Oct.*, 1758, to Abercrombie, mentioning the departure the day previous of Admiral Boscawen, etc.

466 Wolfe (Major-General James) A. L. s. 1 p. 4to, *Halifax, 19th May*, 1758, to Gen. Abercrombie:

Mr. Cunningham's return gives me an opportunity of paying my respects to you, & of offering you my best wishes for your success in the prosecution of this War. We shall, I hope, be able to divide the Enemy's Force, & by that to assist your operations. I hope you will enjoy a necessary degree of health, to undergo the Fatigues of a Campaign, etc.

467 Wolfe (Major-General James) Very fine A. L. s. *Louisbourg, Sept. 30th*, 1758 (two months after its capture), 8 pp. 4to, to "His Excellency Major General Abercromby, Commander-in-Chief of His Majestys Forces in North America, at Lake George," A LETTER OF THE GREATEST INTEREST AND IMPORTANCE:

General Amherst gave me orders to go with three Battalions into the Gulph of St. Lawrence, & up the River of Quebec to attack the Enemy's settlements, . . . in conjunction with Sir Charles Hardy who commanded the Squadron. We sail'd from Louisbourg the 28th August, & got into the Bay of Gaspé the 5th of September. . . . I rowed immediately into the Harbour . . . & learn'd that the inhabitants had fled into the Woods, were few in number, & those half starved: I sent to 'em to come in & submit, some obey'd, others ran off into Canada, & the rest were surpris'd & taken. . . . All the Prisoners paint the Distress of Canada in very lively Colours—the inhabitants, & even the Troops were reduc'd to eat horse flesh, the

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last Winter. . . . Bread is now a shilling a pound at Quebec & everything else in proportion. There has been the finest harvest known for many years in Canada, but difficulty to get in the Corn for want of hands. There are very few Troops in Quebec, a general discontent amongst the People against . . . a few favourite Monopolisers, who distress the Colony to excess. . . . If our Squadron gets up to the Isle Bie in good time, the destruction of Canada, I should think, is inevitable. I embark to morrow for England—if any undertaking is determin'd upon, in the River St. Lawrence, I should be very glad to return in the Spring—if not—I shall endeavour to join the Army in Germany. . . . I wish you a great deal of Success, etc.

468 TICONDEROGA. A French Relation of the Affair of the 8th July, 1758, at Ticonderoga, found in the woods at Gaspé, 8 pp. folio; this was found by General Wolfe and enclosed in the above letter to Abercrombie; it was in this affair that Brig.-Gen. Howe was killed

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